


<b>Policy Statement</b>	
	<b>Commission scolaire Western Québec</b> <b>Western Québec School Board</b>
<b>Policy No. B-7</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Use of Insecticides/Herbicides/Fungicides and Fertilizers on School Board Properties</b>
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### 1. OBJECTIVES

To establish procedures for the use of insecticides, herbicides, fungicides, and fertilizers on school board properties which recognizes the health, ecological and financial implications of such use.

### 2. DEFINITIONS

- 2.1. Non-organic insecticides/herbicides/fungicides
- 2.2. Governing Board
- 2.3. Noxious Plants/Insects/Fungi
- 2.4. Organic Fertilizers

### 3. POLICY

- 3.1. It is the policy of this Board to ban the use of any and all non-organic insecticides, herbicides, and fungicides on all Western Québec School Board properties except where the presence of noxious plants (i.e. poison ivy, ragweed) insects or fungi present a health hazard to users or the community.
- 3.2. Use of organic fertilizers is permitted on individual school properties subject to the authorization outlined under Directives.

### 4. DIRECTIVES

- 4.1. The above substances will only be applied on school property after approval has been given by the Governing Board of that school, or the Director of Buildings, in the case of Board property that does not fall under the jurisdiction of a Governing Board.
- 4.2. Application of the above substances will be restricted to weekends or holidays, and must be applied 48 hours prior to any approved school activity.
- 4.3. Suitable warnings must be posted in the areas subject to the application of herbicides, pesticides and/or fungicides 48 hours prior to the treatment.
- 4.4. Any application of the above substances must conform to municipal and provincial legislation.
- 4.5. Any complaints regarding the use of these substances or related procedures will be reviewed by the Buildings Committee and the decision of the Board shall be final and binding. The Board shall be guided in its decision by the objectives of this policy.