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# CYANOBACTERIA ALERTNESS

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## Protect CHILDREN and ANIMALS from CYANOBACTERIA

This river may experience cyanobacterial developments that could produce dangerous toxins. Poisoning only occurs after ingesting the cyanobacteria clumps, which is why children and dogs are most at risk.

### WHICH PRECAUTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN ?

#### For children :



- **Avoid any risk of ingestion :**  
do not touch sticks or pebbles that have been submerged.
- **Do not swim in high-risk areas**  
where the cyanobacteria are visible.

#### For pets :



- **Do not let them access the river.**

#### Recommendations for fishing :



- **Do not consume small fish whole**, gut and behead large fish quickly before consumption or freezing.

### SYMPTOMS OF POISONING WITH CYANOBACTERIAL TOXINS

#### If the following symptoms appear :

- Tremors, fever, abdominal pain, muscle pain, nausea, vomiting, eye or skin irritation...

**Quickly consult a doctor or call for emergency services 112.**

#### If a dog shows the following symptoms :

- Tremors, loss of balance, nausea, bulging eyes, drooling...

**Take him to a veterinarian immediately.**

For more information, dedicated page [inefauloisirs.fr](http://inefauloisirs.fr)

### HOW TO RECOGNIZE THEM ?

At the bottom of the river, they form green/dark brown or black biofilm patches that can detach off, float on the surface and accumulate in clumps on the edges (flocs).



Biofilm of cyanobacteria forming a film on a stone.



Flocs of cyanobacteria floating on the surface of water.

