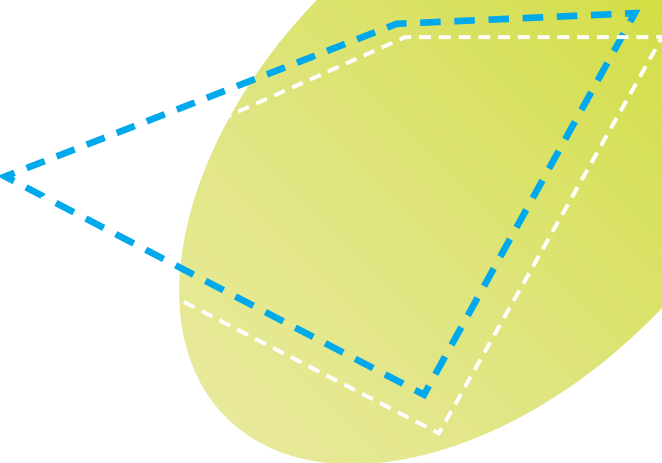
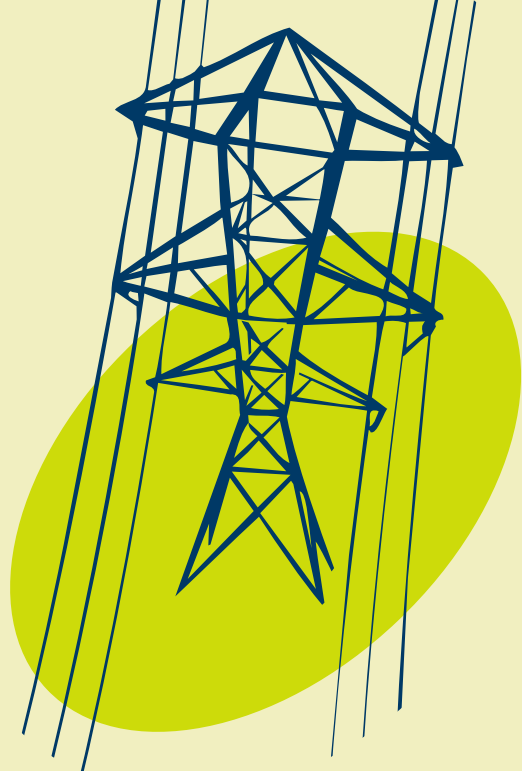


Enjoy  
your **land...**



while respecting  
Hydro-Québec's  
**rights-of-way**



Hydro-Québec's transmission lines carry electricity at voltages ranging from 44,000 to 765,000 volts.

The power lines follow strips of land of varying widths called rights-of-way. For maintenance purposes and to ensure safety, Hydro-Québec restricts the use of these rights-of-way.

Hydro-Québec has two types of property rights on its rights-of-way:

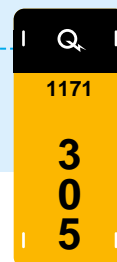
- In some cases, Hydro-Québec owns the land on which its rights-of way are located. Use of such land is prohibited without prior authorization from Hydro-Québec. This means that the user must sign a lease that sets out terms and conditions for using the land.
- When it does not own the land where the rights-of-way are located, Hydro-Québec most have the right of passage, which allows it to build, maintain, service and modify its power lines, and permits the free movement of its employees and equipment required to carry out these operations.



Are you wondering whether a specific use or project you are planning is permitted?

Would you like to receive more literature or details about your rights and responsibilities?

First take a few minutes to write down the numbers on the identification plaque on the pole or pylon closest to your land (see the example below) as well as your lot and cadastral numbers.



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# Hydro-Québec is looking after your safety

Out of concern for your safety, Hydro-Québec strictly controls the use of its rights-of-way. If there is an electrical conductor nearby, you must exercise caution and always stay away at safe distance from it.

## Restrictions

on the use  
of **power line**  
rights-of-way

Use of any strip of land in a Hydro-Québec right-of-way is subject to certain restrictions. These restrictions prohibit you from:

1. erecting a building (garage, shed, barn, etc.) or a lamppost;
2. installing an in-ground or above-ground pool or an artificial pond;
3. flying kites or model airplanes;
4. building a metal fence without Hydro-Québec's authorization. You can, however, build a wooden fence that is no higher than 1.8 metres and is equipped with a hinged gate at least 3.6 metres wide;
5. modifying the level of the ground by digging, storing materials or piling snow, earth or garbage, etc.;
6. pitching tents or parking house trailers;
7. installing a clothesline.

Note that these restrictions apply to both landowners and tenants.

## How to get the most out of your land

Even though Hydro-Québec holds a servitude on part of your land, you are still the owner and you can enjoy your land in many different ways.

You can, for instance, improve its appearance or landscape it, plant varieties of small trees (crab apples, lilacs, sumacs, dwarf fruit trees, etc.) along the edge of the right-of-way or grow various types of plants.

For any other use, you must submit your project to Hydro-Québec for approval.

## Does a **power line** cross your land?

- Read your property deed. It should mention the servitude held by Hydro-Québec. It may also contain a description of the right-of-way and Hydro-Québec's rights, and that Hydro-Québec has a right of passage or the right to remove anything that might hinder exploitation or maintenance of the line.

OR

- Talk to the specialists who advised you during your real estate transactions. If you do not find the information you are looking for in your property deed, Hydro-Québec will be able to supply it.

