



Protection for school students against Dengue

Information about *Aerogard Odourless* roll on insect repellent

Queensland Health is providing *Aerogard Odourless* roll-on insect repellent (50 ml) to all schools in Townsville and Cairns, as per Premier Anna Bligh's commitment on 01 February 2009.

The active ingredient in this product is Picaridin, which is a non-toxic substance that successfully repels mosquitos.

Aerogard Odourless roll-on insect repellent also contains Aloe Vera, which moisturises the skin.

This product has small amounts of ethanol and is flammable until dry so must not be used near naked flames.

Queensland Health has purchased sufficient individual containers of roll-on insect repellent for all children. Some extra supplies will also be provided to schools for use by staff and/or for limited replacement of lost stock.

Queensland Health advice on the use of the insect repellent is as follows:

- The repellent should be rolled directly onto the skin.
- There is no need to rub the repellent in, however hands should be washed with running water or cleaned with a hand wipe after applying the repellent.
- The repellent only needs to be applied to the legs and exposed parts of the feet. The reason for this is that the dengue mosquito likes to live in dark places such as under desks, making the legs the likeliest place that the mosquito will bite.
- The repellent should not come into contact with facial areas as ingredients in the repellent can cause eye irritation.
- If the repellent does have contact with the eye, wash thoroughly with a large amount of water and seek medical attention if the irritation persists.
- The repellent should not be shared between children as this could allow any skin infections to be passed to other children.
- *Aerogard Odourless* roll-on repellent should be applied every four hours.
- *Aerogard Odourless* roll-on repellent should be stored according to the manufacturer's instructions, ie. upright in a cool dry place away from direct sunlight.
- Anyone with known allergies to Picaridin, Aloe Vera or ethanol should not be provided with this product.

Product Safety Data Sheet for *Aerogard Odourless* roll-on insect repellent can be found at:
[http://svc038.wic435dp.server-web.com/uploadedFiles/pdf/Aerogard Odourless low Irritant Roll-On v2-D0075599.pdf](http://svc038.wic435dp.server-web.com/uploadedFiles/pdf/Aerogard%20Odourless%20low%20Irritant%20Roll-On%20v2-D0075599.pdf)