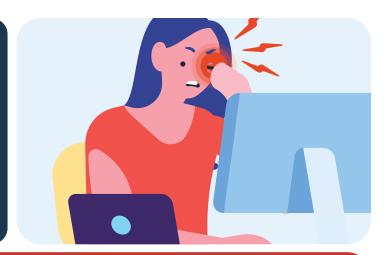
# Eye Pain



#### EMERGENCY: CALL 911 IF

- · There is an object in your eye.
- Your eye appears smaller or larger.
- Your eyesight has deteriorated significantly in the last 24 hours.
- You have a great deal of pain in your eye.
- You have trouble moving your eye in all directions (right, left, up, down).
- You are unable to tolerate light.

## When to seek professional help

- You have pain in one eye or every time your blink.
- You are experiencing gradual vision changes and are having problems seeing far away or up close.
- · You have a scratch in your eye.

- There is yellow discharge coming from your eye.
- There is an eyelash, a bug or a grain of sand stuck under your eyelid.
- Your eye is red.
- You see spots floating that are interfering with your vision.

### How to get **help**

- Call your optometrist
- · 24/7, dial 811
- · Call your pharmacist
- · Call your clinic to make an appointment
- If you do not have a doctor, dial 811 option 3
- Find an appointment on <u>rvsq.gouv.qc.ca</u>

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The pain can be in or around the eye. Oftentimes, the pain is caused by fatigue, a scratch or allergies.

# What to do at home



**Rest:** Reduce your screen time.



**Compresses:** Ask your pharmacist if you should apply a cool or a hot compress with a clean cloth.



**Glasses:** Wear your glasses instead of your contact lenses.



**Precautions:** Do not touch your eyes. If you have to, wash your hands before doing so.



**Tears:** Blink more or use artificial tears.



**Allergies:** Avoid whatever is triggering your allergies.