

# DRUG CHECKING SERVICES

In Montréal, street drug users and people who purchase drugs from the illicit market are encouraged to use drug checking services.

Substances bought from the illicit market are at high risk of contamination with opioids such as protonitazene, isotonitazene, carfentanil, fentanyl, etc. These substances can lead to overdoses. There can be a difference between what a person thinks they're using and what is really in the substance, which can cause unexpected effects.

Drug checking services offer advice to users so they can make informed decisions and manage their substance use more safely.

## Services accessible on the Island of Montréal

- Checkpoint
- Dopamine
- GRIP Montréal
- L'Anonyme
- Spectre de rue
- Sub Check

### Checkpoint

**Checkpoint**, offered by **CACTUS** Montréal, provides a free, anonymous and confidential drug checking service.

You can access this service at [1300 Sanguinet](https://www.1300sanguinet.ca)

Tuesday from noon to 5 p.m.

Wednesday from noon to 7 p.m.

Thursday from noon to 7 p.m.

Friday from noon to 8 p.m.

**The service uses three different drug checking methods:**

- ATR FT-IR spectroscopy
- Colorimetric reaction
- Single-substance test strips

Results are immediately shared and explained on-site. Staff members offer psychosocial support and referrals based on participants' needs.

Visit their [Facebook](#) page.

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## Dopamine

Dopamine offers drug checking services (DCS). Dopamine is located at [4205 Ontario Street East](#). The service is free, anonymous and confidential.

Service is available Monday through Saturday, from 7 p.m to 1 a.m. (last admission at 12:30 a.m.). If you have any questions or to book an appointment, call 514-251-8872.

**The service uses three drug checking methods:**

- ATR FT-IR spectroscopy
- Colorimetric reaction
- Par des bandelettes immuno-essais pour la détection du fentanyl et ses analogues, des benzodiazépines, des amphétamines et de la xylazine.

Results are given right away and explained on-site. Staff members provide psychosocial support and referrals based on individuals' needs. You can consume your substance on site in Dopamine's supervised consumption room.

Visit the website for more information: [dopamine.ca](http://dopamine.ca)

## GRIP Montréal

GRIP Montréal offers drug checking services from a mobile unit. The service is free, anonymous and confidential. Location and operating hours are updated on the Website. Contact information (email and direct cell access) is also available.

**The service uses three different drug checking methods:**

- ATR FT-IR spectroscopy
- Colorimetric reaction
- Single-substance test strips

Results are immediatly shared and explained on-site. Staff members offer psychosocial support and referrals based on participants' needs.

Visit their Website: [grip-prevention.ca/en/](http://grip-prevention.ca/en/)

## L'Anonyme

[L'Anonyme](#) offers drug checking services through its mobile supervised consumption services for people who use the mobile unit. The service is free, anonymous and confidential.

Here's the schedule:

- Every night from 11 p.m. to 4:45 a.m.
- Monday to Thursday from 7 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

**The service uses three drug checking methods:**

- ATR FT-IR spectroscopy
- Colorimetric reaction
- Single-substance test strips

Results are given right away and explained on-site. Staff members provide psychosocial support and referrals based on individuals' needs.

Visit the website at [anonyme.ca](http://anonyme.ca) or call the mobile unit intervention team at 1-844-381-2455.

## Spectre de rue

[Spectre de rue](#) offers drug checking services (DCS). The service is free, anonymous and confidential. Spectre de rue is located at [1278 Ontario Street east](#).

Opening hours are updated on their website as well as on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). If you have any questions or to book an appointment, call 438-372-7596.

**The service uses three drug checking methods:**

- ATR FT-IR spectroscopy
- Colorimetric reaction
- Single-substance test strips

Results are given right away and explained on-site. Staff members provide psychosocial support and referrals based on individuals' needs.

## Sub Check

**Sub Check**, a service by **PACT de rue**, offers drug checking services (DCS) in Villeray neighborhood. The service is free, anonymous and confidential.

The service is located at [8105 de Gaspé](#).

**Schedule:**

- **Wednesday** 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- **Thursday to Friday** 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM
- **Saturday**  
2:00 PM – 6:00 PM, people under 18 years of age  
6:00 PM – 8:00PM, 18 years and over

**The service uses three drug checking methods:**

- ATR FT-IR spectroscopy
- Colorimetric reaction
- Single-substance test strips

Results are given right away and explained on-site. Staff members provide psychosocial support and referrals based on individuals' needs.

**Follow Sub Check on social media:**

- [Instagram](#)
- [Facebook](#)