



GROUPEMENT DES CARTES BANCAIRES "CB"

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## **First Saturday of Summer Sales: Record Broken**

### **CB Bankcards Used For More Than 40 Million Transactions**

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**Since the creation of interbankarity in 1984, CB bankcard\* is always more attractive to the users, who enjoy a practical, secure and universal means of payment.**

**On Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> July 2006** - the first Saturday of summer sales - CB cardholders have made **more than 40 million transactions with their CB bankcards** (payments and withdrawals). **This new record is historical.**

The previous record (more than 37 million transactions made by CB bankcards) was dated from 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2005, last Friday before Christmas.

*Reminder*

- Nearly 9 French adults out of 10 own a CB bankcard (*source : Sofres barometer, 2005*)
- 1/4 of all household expenses are made by CB card.



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## **SALES AND HOLIDAYS, CONVENIENCE PURCHASES THAT MUST REMAIN SUCH**

### **① YOUR PIN CODE IS CONFIDENTIAL**

**Make sure to keep your PIN code secret.**

Do not write it down anywhere and do not give to anyone, not even to staff at your bank, police authorities or insurance companies.

### **② YOUR CB BANKCARD IS PRIVATE**

**Always keep your card with you, or in a secure place at all times.**

Never leave it in your car or hotel room.

Never lend it to anyone, not even members of your own family.

### **③ PROTECT YOUR PIN CODE**

**Make sure that no one is looking when you enter your PIN code,**

either when making a payment at a point of sale or withdrawing cash at an ATM.

### **④ KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR BANKCARD**

**Never lose sight of your card when paying at a retail outlet.**

### **⑤ KEEP YOUR CB TRANSACTION RECEIPTS**

**Be sure to keep all your CB payment and withdrawal transaction receipts.**

This will help you to check the transactions against your bank statement.

### **⑥ BE WATCHFUL WHEN WITHDRAWING CASH AT AN ATM**

**If an ATM retains your card and you have not entered 3 incorrect PIN codes yet,** you should immediately inform the bank, if it is open, otherwise call your own bank's call centre to invalidate your card. Incidents of this type at an ATM are extremely rare.

### **⑦ DON'T LET YOURSELF BE DISTRACTED**

**Don't let yourself be distracted when withdrawing cash at an ATM,**

especially from someone who is offering to help you. Do not re-enter your PIN code in front of such individuals.

### **⑧ KEEP YOUR CARD NUMBER IN A SECURE PLACE**

**Keep your 16-digit card number and its expiry date in a secure place.**

This will help to accelerate the opposition procedure.

### **⑨ CANCEL YOUR CARD QUICKLY**

**Always have the telephone number for your bank's call centre, or the interbank phone number at hand so as to be able to cancel your card immediately in case of loss or theft**

(interbank phone number: for France and certain countries only: 0892 705 705 – contact your bank for more information - 0.34 euros per minute). You may want to declare it to the police as well - you will need to confirm your request with a registered letter sent to your bank against proof of receipt.

### **⑩ PROOF-READ YOU MONTHLY BANKING STATEMENTS**

**Read your bank statements carefully, or check them regularly on-line if your bank proposes this service.**

Contact quickly your bank by mail if anything seems irregular or suspicious.