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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1253-2026, 12 August 2026

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 3 of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions (chapter A-33.02), where, on average, for three consecutive model years, more than 4,500 new light motor vehicles are sold or leased in Québec by a motor vehicle manufacturer, that manufacturer must, for the model year that immediately follows the last of those three consecutive model years, accumulate credits whose number is determined according to the parameters, calculation method and conditions determined by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of section 6, an automobile manufacturer referred to in the first paragraph of section 3 may accumulate the credits required under that section:

— through the sale or lease in Québec of new light motor vehicles whose number, for each model year, is established according to the calculation method determined by government regulation and which meet the same conditions set out in subparagraphs *a*, *b* and *c* of paragraph 1 of section 6, and any conditions that the Government may determine in the regulations;

— by selling or leasing, in Québec, reconditioned light motor vehicles whose number, for each model year, is established according to the calculation method determined by government regulation and which meet the same conditions as those which must be met by new light motor vehicles under paragraph 1 and the conditions set out in subparagraphs *a* and *b* of paragraph 2 of section 6;

— by acquiring them from another motor vehicle manufacturer that has accumulated them under this Act, except in the cases and on the conditions that the Government determines by regulation;

— in any other manner prescribed by government regulation;

WHEREAS, under section 10, a motor vehicle manufacturer referred to in the first paragraph of section 3 must, not later than 31 August of each year, report to the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks, under oath, the information determined by government regulation; the regulation must also prescribe the manner in which the report is to be made;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10, 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a proposed regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 23 June 2026, with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 30 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions

Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions
(chapter A-33.02, s. 3, 1st par., ss. 6 and 10).

1. The Regulation respecting the application of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions (chapter A-33.02, r. 1) is amended in section 1

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(1) in the definition of "low-emission motor vehicle"

(*a*) by replacing paragraph 1 by the following:

"(1) by the association of an electric motor or other means of propulsion that emits no pollutants with a motor that emits pollutants whose battery used to supply the electric motor or the component used to supply the other means of propulsion is recharged, as the case may be,

(a) by an energy source that is not on board the vehicle; or

(b) either by an energy source that is not on board the vehicle or by a motor that emits pollutants;";

(b) by inserting "of energy" after "source" in paragraph 3;

(2) by inserting the following definition in alphabetical order:

""motor vehicle equipped with strong hybrid technology" means a vehicle propelled, as the case may be,

(1) by the association of an electric motor or other means of propulsion that emits no pollutants with a motor that emits pollutants whose battery used to supply the electric motor or the component used to supply the other means of propulsion is recharged by a motor that emits pollutants; or

(2) solely by an electric motor whose battery used to supply the motor is recharged by a motor that emits pollutants,

that meets the conditions in section 2 and, if paragraph 1 applies to the vehicle, is capable of being propelled exclusively by the electric motor or by the other means of propulsion;".

2. Section 2 is amended

(1) by inserting "or a motor vehicle equipped with strong hybrid technology" after "low-emission motor vehicle" in the portion before paragraph 1;

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The values referred to in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph for a 2026 or subsequent model year low-emission motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipped with strong hybrid technology are indicated in section 1961.4(d)(2)(A)1 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations, those values being calculated using the methods provided for in section 1961.4(c)(1) of the same Title.".

3. Section 13 is amended by replacing, in the column headed "Value of the percentage (P)" in the table in the third paragraph,

(1) "32.50%" by "26.00%" in the line beginning with "2026";

(2) "45.00%" by "30.00%" in the line beginning with "2027";

(3) "60.00%" by "35.00%" in the line beginning with "2028";

(4) "75.00%" by "44.00%" in the line beginning with "2029";

(5) "85.00%" by "51.00%" in the line beginning with "2030";

(6) "91.00%" by "58.00%" in the line beginning with "2031";

(7) "95.00%" by "64.00%" in the line beginning with "2032";

(8) "97.50%" by "70.00%" in the line beginning with "2033";

(9) "99.00%" by "75.00%" in the line beginning with "2034";

(10) "100%" by "80.00%" in the line beginning with "2035 and subsequent".

4. Section 15 is amended in the first paragraph

(1) by replacing "RZEV, RLEV, RVRE or RLSV credits" in the portion before the table by "the credits referred to in the table below";

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(2) by replacing the table by the following table:

Group of 3 consecutive model years	Credit categories	Maximum percentage
2022-2024	RZEV, RLEV, RVRE and RLSV	30%
2025-2027	RZEV, RLEV 80km+, RLEV 50-80km, RVRE and RLSV	20%
2028-2030	RZEV, RLEV 80km+, RLEV 50-80km, RVRE and RLSV	15%
2031-2033	RZEV, RLEV 80km+, RVRE and RLSV	10%
Subsequent groups	RZEV, RLEV 80km+, RLEV 50-80km, RVRE and RLSV	0%

5. Section 16 is amended

(1) by replacing "corresponding to the model years referred to in" in the portion before subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph by "determined in accordance with";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The credits accumulated by a motor vehicle manufacturer are, in the register referred to in the first paragraph, classified by groups of 3 model years determined in accordance with section 8 of the Act, from the 2025 model year, according to the following categories:

(1) NZEV credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing new zero-emission motor vehicles, excluding low-speed vehicles;

(2) RZEV credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing reconditioned zero-emission motor vehicles, excluding low-speed vehicles;

(3) NLEV 80km+ credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing new low-emission motor vehicles whose electric range is equal to or greater than 80 km;

(4) NLEV 80km- credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing new low-emission motor vehicles whose electric range is less than 80 km;

(5) RZEV 80km+ credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing reconditioned low-emission motor vehicles whose electric range is equal to or greater than 80 km;

(6) RLEV 50-80km credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing reconditioned low-emission motor vehicles whose electric range is equal to or greater than 50 km but less than 80 km;

(7) NVRE credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing new motor vehicles with a range extender;

(8) RVRE credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing reconditioned motor vehicles with a range extender;

(9) NLSV credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing new low-speed motor vehicles;

(10) RLSV credits, that is, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing reconditioned low-speed motor vehicles;

(11) NSHV credits, the credits accumulated by selling or leasing new motor vehicles equipped with strong hybrid technology.".

6. Section 27.1 is amended

(1) by replacing "to 0.5 credits" by ", as applicable, to";

(2) by adding the following at the end:

"(1) 0.5 credits if the vehicle's electric range is equal to or greater than 16 km, but less than 80 km; or

(2) 0.75 credits if the vehicle's electric range is equal to or greater than 80 km.".

7. Section 29.2 is replaced by the following:

"**29.2.** The sale or lease of a new low-emission motor vehicle gives entitlement to 0.75 credits if the electric range of the vehicle is equal to or greater than 80 km.

The electric range of a motor vehicle referred to in this section or in section 29.3 is determined using the following equation:

ER = R x 0.7

where

ER = the electric range of a motor vehicle referred to in this section or in section 29.3;

R = the range of the motor vehicle in charge-depleting mode, in kilometres, established in accordance with section 600 311-12(j)(4)(i) of Subpart D of Part 600

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of Subchapter Q of Chapter I of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, rounded to the first decimal or, if the number is equidistant by 2 consecutive decimals, to the higher of those decimals.

For the 2025 to 2030 model years, the sale or lease of a new low-emission motor vehicle whose electric range determined using the equation in the second paragraph is less than 80 km gives entitlement to 0.5 credits.

Despite the first, second and third paragraphs, the sale or lease of a new low-emission motor vehicle that is not covered under Part 600 – Fuel Economy and Greenhouse Gas Exhaust Emissions of Motor Vehicles of Subchapter Q, Chapter I, Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations gives entitlement to 0.5 credits irrespective of its electric range.".

8. Section 29.3 is amended

(1) by inserting "whose electric range is equal to or greater than 50 km" after "reconditioned low-emission motor vehicle" in the portion before the table;

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"The sale or lease of a reconditioned low-emission motor vehicle whose electric range is less than 50 km gives entitlement to no credits.".

9. The following subdivision is inserted after section 30:

"***§4.*** *Motor vehicles equipped with strong hybrid technology*

30.1. For the 2025 to 2027 model years, the sale or lease of a new motor vehicle equipped with strong hybrid technology gives entitlement to 0.25 credits.".

10. Section 31 is amended by replacing "8" in the first paragraph by "8.3".

11. Section 34 is amended

(1) by inserting ", strong hybrid technology" after "low-emission" in the portion before subparagraph *a* of paragraph 5;

(2) in paragraph 6,

(*a*) by striking out "zero-emission and";

(*b*) by inserting ", strong hybrid technology and zero-emission" after "low-emission".

12. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1254-2026, 12 August 2026

Regulation to revoke the Regulation prescribing certain prohibitions as regards motor vehicles and internal combustion engines

WHEREAS, under paragraph *b* of section 53 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), the Government may make regulations applicable to the whole or to any part of the territory of Québec to prohibit or limit the use, offer for sale or lease, exhibition for sale or lease and sale or lease of motor vehicles, engines or devices to prevent or to reduce the emission of pollutants into the air;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 30 of the Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation (chapter M-11.6), the Government may, in a regulation made under the Environment Quality Act in particular, specify that failure to comply with a provision of the regulation may give rise to a monetary administrative penalty. The regulation may set out the conditions for applying the penalty and determine the amounts or the methods for calculating them. The amounts may vary in particular according to the extent to which the standards have been violated;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 45 of the Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation, the Government may determine the provisions of a regulation the Government has made under the Environment Quality Act in particular, whose contravention constitutes an offence and renders the offender liable to a fine the minimum and maximum amounts of which are set by the Government;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10, 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to revoke the Regulation respecting certain prohibitions applicable to motor vehicles and combustion engines was published in Part 2 of the Gazette officielle du Québec of 23 June 2026 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 30 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to revoke the Regulation prescribing certain prohibitions as regards motor vehicles and internal combustion engines be made.

DAVID BAHAN
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to revoke the Regulation prescribing certain prohibitions as regards motor vehicles and internal combustion engines

Environment Quality Act
(chapter Q-2, s. 53, par. *b*).

Act respecting certain measures enabling the enforcement of environmental and dam safety legislation
(chapter M-11.6, s. 30, 1st par., and s. 45, 1st par.).

1. The Regulation prescribing certain prohibitions as regards motor vehicles and internal combustion engines, made by Order in Council 1772-2024 dated 11 December 2024, is revoked.

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Order 2026-004 of the Labor minister dated 4 August 2026

Professional Code
(chapter C-26)

Amount of the contribution payable by the members of the professional orders for the 2027-2028 fiscal year of the Office des professions du Québec

THE LABOR MINISTER,

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 196.2 of the Professional Code (chapter C-26), which provides that the expenditures incurred by the Office des professions du Québec in a fiscal year are to be payable by the members of the professional orders;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 196.2 of the Code, which provides that, for each fiscal year of the Office, the members of the orders are required to pay a contribution determined by the Minister responsible for the administration of the Professional Code and the Acts constituting the professional orders, "after consulting with the Minister of Finance, the Minister Responsible for Immigration, the Minister of Health and Social Services and the Chair of the Conseil du trésor";

CONSIDERING the third paragraph of section 196.2 of the Code, which provides that, each fiscal year, the surplus of the Office for the preceding fiscal is added to, or its deficit for the preceding fiscal year is deducted from, the expenditures determined by the Office in its budget estimates for the following fiscal year;

CONSIDERING the third paragraph of section 196.2 of the Code, which provides that any surplus or deficit expected by the Office for a fiscal year may also be taken into account in whole or in part;

CONSIDERING the third paragraph of section 196.2 of the Code, which provides that the resulting amount is then divided by the number of members in all the orders on 31 March of the calendar year in progress and that the quotient is the amount of the annual contribution of each member;

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 196.8 of the Code, which provides that every person or group and every department or other government body are to pay the charge determined by regulation of the Government after consultation with the Office and the Québec Interprofessional Council in respect of any request they submit to the Office or of any act that must be performed by the Office in the exercise of its functions;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 196.8 of the Code, which provides that the charges collected during a fiscal year are taken into account in establishing the contribution computed under section 196.2 of the Code;

CONSIDERING that, under subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph of section 19.1 of the Code, the Labor Minister has submitted to the Québec Interprofessional Council, for advice, the amount of the contribution of each member of an order for the 2027-2028 fiscal year of the Office;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Finance, the Minister Responsible for Immigration, the Minister of Health and the Chair of the Conseil du trésor have been consulted;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to determine the amount of the contribution of each member of a professional order for the 2027-2028 fiscal year of the Office;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT $38,85 be determined as the amount of the contribution of each member of a professional order for the 2027-2028 fiscal year of the Office des professions du Québec.

Québec, le 4 août 2026

JEAN BOULET
Labor minister

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Order No 2026-0015 of the minister of the Environment, Fight against climate change, Wildlife and Parks dated July 28, 2026

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the limit on the number of credits that may be used by a motor vehicle manufacturer and the confidentiality of some information

THE MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT, THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

CONSIDERING subparagraph 1 of the second paragraph of section 9 of the Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions, which provides that the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks may, by regulation, limit the number of credits accumulated in excess by an automobile manufacturer at the end of a period of three consecutive calendar years that may be used by the manufacturer during a subsequent period for the purpose of determining the number of credits accumulated by the manufacturer;

CONSIDERING subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph of that section, which provides that the Minister may, by regulation, limit the number of consecutive periods following the period during which the credits referred to in the first paragraph were accumulated, at the end of which those credits may be used by an automobile manufacturer for the purpose of determining the number of credits accumulated by the manufacturer;

CONSIDERING the second paragraph of section 15 of the Act, which provides that the Minister may, by regulation, provide that certain information reported by an automobile manufacturer and entered in the register established under the Act is not public information;

CONSIDERING a proposed Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the limitation of credits that may be used by an automobile manufacturer and the confidentiality of certain information was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 23 June 2026, in accordance with sections 10, 12 and 13 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), with a notice that it could be made by the Minister of the Environment, the Fight Against Climate Change, Wildlife and Parks on the expiry of 30 days following that publication;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

The Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the limit on the number of credits that may be used by a motor vehicle manufacturer and the confidentiality of some information is hereby made.

July 28, 2026

PASCALE DÉRY
The minister of the Environment, Fight against climate change, Wildlife and Parks

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the limit on the number of credits that may be used by a motor vehicle manufacturer and the confidentiality of some information

Act to increase the number of zero-emission motor vehicles in Québec in order to reduce greenhouse gas and other pollutant emissions
(chapter A-33.02, s. 9, 2nd par., subpars. 1 and 3 and s. 15, 2nd par.).

1. The Regulation respecting the limit on the number of credits that may be used by a motor vehicle manufacturer and the confidentiality of some information (chapter A-33.02, r. 2) is amended in the first paragraph of section 1

(1) by replacing "for any of the model years of the group of 3 model years covered by the following period, up to the maximum percentage indicated in the table below" by "on the following terms, up to, for all the credits used in a particular period, the maximum percentage of the credits that must be accumulated, indicated in the table below subparagraph 5";

(2) by inserting the following:

"(1) NZEV, RZEV, NLEV, RLEV, NVRE, RVRE, NLSV and RLSV credits accumulated for the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2022 to 2024 for any of the model years covered by the subsequent period of 3 consecutive calendar years;

(2) half of the NZEV and RZEV credits accumulated for the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2022 to 2024 that were not used at the expiry of the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027 for any of the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2028 to 2030;

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(3) NLEV 80km- and RLEV 50-80km credits accumulated for the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027, for any of the model years covered by the subsequent period of 3 consecutive calendar years;

(4) NLEV 80km+, RLEV 80km+, NVRE and RVRE credits accumulated for the model years covered by the periods of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027 and subsequent periods for, in respect of each of those periods, any of the model years covered by the subsequent period of 3 consecutive calendar years;

(5) NZEV, RZEV, NLSV and RLSV credits accumulated for the model years covered by the periods of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027 and subsequent periods for any of the model years covered by the subsequent periods of 3 consecutive calendar years.";

(3) by replacing "15%" in the line starting with "2028-2030" in the column "Maximum percentage of the total credits that a manufacturer must accumulate" of the table by "10%";

(4) by replacing "10%" in the line starting with "2031-2033" in the column "Maximum percentage of the total credits that a manufacturer must accumulate" of the table by "5%".

2. Section 3 is amended

(1) by inserting ", strong hybrid technology" in the portion before subparagraph *a* of paragraph 4 after "low-emission";

(2) in paragraph 7,

(*a*) by striking out "zero-emission and";

(*b*) by inserting ", strong hybrid technology and zero-emission" after "low-emission".

3. Section 4 is amended

(1) by replacing "for any of the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027 or before, up to the maximum percentage of the total credits that the motor vehicle manufacturer must accumulate for that year as indicated in the table in the same paragraph of section 1" by "on the following terms, up to, for all the credits used in a particular period, the maximum percentage of the credits that must be accumulated, indicated in the table in that paragraph of that section 1:";

(2) by adding the following at the end:

"(1) NZEV, RZEV, NLEV, RLEV, NVRE, RVRE, NLSV and RLSV credits for any of the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027 or prior periods;

(2) half of the NZEV and RZEV credits accumulated for the model years of the first 2 periods of 3 consecutive calendar years that were not used at the expiry of the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2025 to 2027 for any of the model years covered by the period of 3 consecutive calendar years 2028 to 2030.".

4. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Order 2026-03 of the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy dated August, 3rd 2026

Petroleum Products Act
(chapter P-30.01)

Regulation to amend the Order of the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy concerning the measurement methods and tools for the purposes of the Regulation respecting the integration of low-carbon-intensity fuel content into gasoline and diesel fuel

THE MINISTER OF ECONOMY, INNOVATION AND ENERGY,

CONSIDERING the first paragraph of section 5 of the Petroleum Products Act (chapter P-30.01), which provides that the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy may determine the measurement methods and tools for the application of the standards and specifications relating to any petroleum product and its components;

CONSIDERING the Regulation respecting the integration of low-carbon-intensity fuel content into gasoline and diesel fuel (chapter P-30.01, r. 0.2);

CONSIDERING the publication in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 18 March 2026, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), of a draft Regulation to amend the Order of the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy concerning the measurement methods and tools for the purposes of the Regulation respecting the integration of low-carbon-intensity fuel content into gasoline and diesel fuel with a notice that it could be made by Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

The Regulation to amend the Order of the Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy concerning the measurement methods and tools for the purposes of the Regulation respecting the integration of low-carbon-intensity fuel content into gasoline and diesel fuel, attached to this Order, is hereby made.

Québec, August, 3rd 2026

BERNARD DRAINVILLE
Minister of Economy, Innovation and Energy

Regulation to amend the Ministerial Order concerning the measurement methods and tools for the purposes of the Regulation respecting the integration of low-carbon-intensity fuel content into gasoline and diesel fuel

Petroleum Products Act
(chapter P-30.01, s. 5, 1st par.).

1. The Ministerial Order concerning the measurement methods and tools for the purposes of the Regulation respecting the integration of low-carbon-intensity fuel content into gasoline and diesel fuel (chapter P-30.01, r. 0.2) is amended in section 5 by adding the following at the end:

"Despite the first and second paragraphs, if the low-carbon-intensity fuel content is a product of co-processing, the data entered into the software must be based on a comparison between a baseline operating scenario covering a minimum period of 7 days, consecutive or not, and a co-processing-type operating scenario covering a minimum period of 7 days, consecutive or not, for which operational procedures are similar.".

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Order number V-1.1-2026-17 of the Minister of Finance dated 6 August 2026

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1)

CONCERNING the Regulation to amend Regulation 31-103 respecting registration requirements, exemptions and ongoing registrant obligations

WHEREAS paragraphs 1, 3, 4.1 and 8 of section 331.1 of the Securities Act (chapter V-1.1) provide that the *Autorité des marchés financiers* may make regulations concerning the matters referred to in those paragraphs;

WHEREAS the first and fifth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act provide that every regulation made under section 331.1 must be approved, with or without amendment, by the Minister of Finance and comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date specified in the regulation;

WHEREAS in accordance with the third and fourth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act, the draft regulation to amend Regulation 31-103 respecting registration requirements, exemptions and ongoing registrant obligations was published for consultation in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers* vol. 21, no. 47 of November 28, 2024, with a notice that it may not be submitted for approval or be made until 90 days have elapsed since its publication;

WHEREAS the *Autorité des marchés financiers* made, on 23 July 2026, by the decision no. 2026-PDG-0033, Regulation to amend Regulation 31-103 respecting registration requirements, exemptions and ongoing registrant obligations with amendments;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve this Regulation without amendment;

CONSEQUENTLY, the Minister of Finance approves without amendment the Regulation to amend Regulation 31-103 respecting registration requirements, exemptions and ongoing registrant obligations, attached to this Ministerial Order.

6 August 2026

ERIC GIRARD
Minister of Finance

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REGULATION TO AMEND REGULATION 31-103 RESPECTING REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, EXEMPTIONS AND ONGOING REGISTRANT OBLIGATIONS

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1, s. 331.1, par. (1), (3), (4.1) and (8))

1. Section 14.17 of Regulation 31-103 respecting Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations (chapter V-1.1, r. 10) is amended by adding, after subparagraph (u) of paragraph (1), the following:

"(v) the following notification, or a notification that is substantially similar, disclosed in a footnote to the report, if during the period covered by the report:

(i) the client owned securities of a mutual fund that is a reporting issuer,

(ii) the registered firm was a principal distributor, as defined in section 1.1 of Regulation 81-102 respecting Investment Funds (chapter V-1.1, r. 39), of those securities, and

(iii) the registered firm received a payment, other than a payment reported under subparagraphs (g) or (h), in connection with services that the registered firm provided to the manager or to the mutual fund as a principal distributor:

"We have [an exclusive right to distribute/a material competitive advantage over others in distributing/an exclusive right to distribute or a material competitive advantage over others in distributing] the securities of mutual funds managed by [insert name of the fund]. [Insert name of fund manager] pays us up to a maximum of [insert percentage of the management fee] % of the fund's management fee for providing services as a principal distributor.".

Transition

2. Before 1 January 2029, a registered firm is not required to comply with the Regulation, as amended by this Regulation, if the registered firm complies with the Regulation as it was in force on 31 December 2026.

Effective Date

3. (1) This Regulation comes into force on 1 January 2027.

(2) In Saskatchewan, despite paragraph (1), if this Regulation is filed with the Registrar of Regulations after 1 January 2027, this Regulation comes into force on the day on which it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

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Order number V-1.1-2026-16 of the Minister of Finance dated 6 August 2026

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1)

CONCERNING the Regulation to amend Regulation 81-101 respecting mutual fund prospectus disclosure

WHEREAS paragraphs 1 and 8 of section 331.1 of the Securities Act (chapter V-1.1) provide that the *Autorité des marchés financiers* may make regulations concerning the matters referred to in those paragraphs;

WHEREAS the first and fifth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act provide that every regulation made under section 331.1 must be approved, with or without amendment, by the Minister of Finance and comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date specified in the regulation;

WHEREAS in accordance with the third and fourth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act, the draft regulation to amend Regulation 81-101 respecting mutual fund prospectus disclosure was published for consultation in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers* vol. 21, no. 47 of November 28, 2024, with a notice that it may not be submitted for approval or be made until 90 days have elapsed since its publication;

WHEREAS the *Autorité des marchés financiers* made, on 23 July 2026, by the decision no. 2026-PDG-0033, Regulation to amend Regulation 81-101 respecting mutual fund prospectus disclosure with amendments;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve this Regulation without amendment;

CONSEQUENTLY, the Minister of Finance approves without amendment the Regulation to amend Regulation 81-101 respecting mutual fund prospectus disclosure, attached to this Ministerial Order.

6 August 2026

ERIC GIRARD
Minister of Finance

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REGULATION TO AMEND REGULATION 81-101 RESPECTING MUTUAL FUND PROSPECTUS DISCLOSURE

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1, s. 331.1, par. (1) and (8))

1. Form 81-101F1 of Regulation 81-101 respecting Mutual Fund Prospectus Disclosure (chapter V-1.1, r. 38) is amended, in item 10 of Part A:

(1) by inserting, at the beginning of the first paragraph, "(1)";

(2) by inserting, after the first paragraph, the following:

"(2) If a mutual fund has a principal distributor, state in substantially the following words:

"[Insert name of principal distributor] has an exclusive right to distribute or has a material competitive advantage over others in distributing the securities of the mutual fund(s). Please see "Dealer Compensation" for more information, including a description of the services provided by [insert name of principal distributor] to the fund(s) or [insert name of manager of the mutual fund].".

"(3) If a mutual fund has a principal distributor that receives a payment, other than a payment that is a trailing commission, in connection with services provided by the principal distributor to the manager of the mutual fund or the mutual fund, state in substantially the following words:

"[Insert name of manager of the mutual fund] pays up to a maximum of [insert percentage of the management fee payable to principal distributor] % of the management fee to [insert name of principal distributor] for providing services to [insert name of manager of the mutual fund] or the mutual fund(s) as the principal distributor.".

"(4) If the fee payable to a principal distributor varies under an agreement between the principal distributor and the manager of the mutual fund, describe the variables that are used in the determination of the fee and how that fee is calculated.";

(3) by replacing all occurrences of "frais et charges" in the French text of paragraphs (5) and (7) of item 9.1 by "frais".

2. Form 81-101F3 of the Regulation is amended by inserting, after paragraph (4) of item 1.3 of Part II, the following:

"(4.1) If a mutual fund has a principal distributor, include a statement using wording substantially similar to the following:

"[Insert name of principal distributor] has an exclusive right to distribute or has a material competitive advantage over others in distributing the securities of this fund.".

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"(4.2) If a mutual fund has a principal distributor that receives a payment, other than a payment that is a trailing commission, in connection with services provided by the principal distributor to the manager of the mutual fund or the mutual fund, include a statement using wording substantially similar to the following words:

"[Insert name of manager of the mutual fund] pays up to a maximum of [insert percentage of the management fee payable to principal distributor] % of the management fee to [insert name of principal distributor] for providing services to [insert name of manager of the mutual fund] or the mutual fund as the principal distributor.".

"(4.3) If the fee payable to a principal distributor varies under an agreement between the principal distributor and the manager of the mutual fund, describe the variables that are used in the determination of the fee and how that fee is calculated.".

Transition

3. Before 1 October 2028, an investment fund is not required to comply with the Regulation, as amended by this Regulation, if the investment fund complies with the Regulation as it was in force on 30 September 2026.

Effective Date

4. (1) This Regulation comes into force on 1 October 2026.

(2) In Saskatchewan, despite paragraph (1), if this Regulation is filed with the Registrar of Regulations after 1 October 2026, this Regulation comes into force on the day on which it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

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M.O., 2026-18

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Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1)

CONCERNING the Regulation to amend Regulation 81-102 respecting investment funds

WHEREAS paragraphs 11 and 16 of section 331.1 of the Securities Act (chapter V-1.1) provide that the *Autorité des marchés financiers* may make regulations concerning the matters referred to in those paragraphs;

WHEREAS the first and fifth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act provide that every regulation made under section 331.1 must be approved, with or without amendment, by the Minister of Finance and comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date specified in the regulation;

WHEREAS in accordance with the third and fourth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act, the draft regulation to amend Regulation 81-102 respecting investment funds was published for consultation in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers* vol. 21, no. 47 of November 28, 2024, with a notice that it may not be submitted for approval or be made until 90 days have elapsed since its publication;

WHEREAS the *Autorité des marchés financiers* made, on 23 July 2026, by the decision no. 2026-PDG-0033, Regulation to amend Regulation 81-102 respecting investment funds with amendments;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve this Regulation without amendment;

CONSEQUENTLY, the Minister of Finance approves without amendment the Regulation to amend Regulation 81-102 respecting investment funds, attached to this Ministerial Order.

6 August 2026

ERIC GIRARD
Minister of Finance

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REGULATION TO AMEND REGULATION 81-102 RESPECTING INVESTMENT FUNDS

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1, s. 331.1, par. (11) and (16))

1. Regulation 81-102 respecting Investment Funds (chapter V-1.1, r. 39) is amended by inserting, after section 10.2, the following:

"**10.2.1. Prohibition of Fees for Redemptions**

A manager must not charge a fee to a securityholder of a mutual fund for a redemption by the securityholder of securities of the mutual fund.".

Transition

2. Section 10.2.1 of the Regulation does not apply to a fee referred to in that section if the fee is charged under a fee arrangement that existed before 1 June 2022, and the fee arrangement is still in effect.

Effective Date

3. (1) This Regulation comes into force on 1 October 2026.

(2) In Saskatchewan, despite paragraph (1), if this Regulation is filed with the Registrar of Regulations after 1 October 2026, this Regulation comes into force on the day on which it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

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M.O., 2026-19

Order number V-1.1-2026-19 of the Minister of Finance dated 6 August 2026

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1)

CONCERNING the Regulation to amend Regulation 81-105 respecting mutual fund sales practices

WHEREAS paragraphs 16 and 19.5 of section 331.1 of the Securities Act (chapter V-1.1) provide that the *Autorité des marchés financiers* may make regulations concerning the matters referred to in those paragraphs;

WHEREAS the first and fifth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act provide that every regulation made under section 331.1 must be approved, with or without amendment, by the Minister of Finance and comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date specified in the regulation;

WHEREAS in accordance with the third and fourth paragraphs of section 331.2 of the said Act, the draft regulation to amend Regulation 81-105 respecting mutual fund sales practices was published for consultation in the *Bulletin de l'Autorité des marchés financiers* vol. 21, no. 47 of November 28, 2024, with a notice that it may not be submitted for approval or be made until 90 days have elapsed since its publication;

WHEREAS the *Autorité des marchés financiers* made, on 23 July 2026, by the decision no. 2026-PDG-0031, Regulation to amend Regulation 81-105 respecting mutual fund sales practices with amendments;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve this Regulation without amendment;

CONSEQUENTLY, the Minister of Finance approves without amendment the Regulation to amend Regulation 81-105 respecting mutual fund sales practices, attached to this Ministerial Order.

6 August 2026

ERIC GIRARD
Minister of Finance

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REGULATION TO AMEND REGULATION 81-105 RESPECTING MUTUAL FUND SALES PRACTICES

Securities Act
(chapter V-1.1, s. 331.1, par. (16) and (19.5))

1. Regulation 81-105 respecting Mutual Fund Sales Practices (chapter V-1.1, r. 41) is amended by inserting, after section 2.3, the following:

"**2.4. Principal Distributors**

A principal distributor of a mutual fund shall not be a principal distributor of another mutual fund unless the other mutual fund is a member of the same mutual fund family.".

2. Section 4.2 of the Regulation is amended by inserting, before paragraph (1), the following:

"(0.1) A principal distributor of a mutual fund that is also a principal distributor of another mutual fund that is in the same mutual fund family as the first-mentioned mutual fund shall not provide an incentive for any of its representatives to recommend a mutual fund of which it is a principal distributor over another mutual fund of which it is a principal distributor.".

3. Section 7.1 of the Regulation is repealed.

Transition

4. Before 1 October 2028, an investment fund is not required to comply with the Regulation, as amended by this Regulation, if the investment fund complies with the Regulation as it was in force on 30 September 2026.

Effective Date

5. (1) This Regulation comes into force on 1 October 2026.

(2) In Saskatchewan, despite paragraph (1), if this Regulation is filed with the Registrar of Regulations after 1 October 2026, this Regulation comes into force on the day on which it is filed with the Registrar of Regulations.

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Draft Regulation

Act respecting collective agreement decrees
(chapter D-2)

Automotive services industry in the Drummond and the Mauricie regions
— Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with section 5 of the Act respecting collective agreement decrees (chapter D-2), that the Minister has received an application from the contracting parties to amend the Decree respecting the automotive services industry in the Drummond and the Mauricie regions (chapter D-2, r. 8) and that, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), the Regulation to amend the Decree respecting the automotive services industry in the Drummond and the Mauricie regions, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation mainly increases the minimum wage rates provided for in the Decree.

The regulatory impact analysis has shown that the amendments will have a minor impact on the enterprises subject thereto.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Patrick Bourassa, coordinator for decrees and policy development advisor, Direction des politiques du travail, Ministère du Travail; telephone: 418 528-9135, extension 82949 or 1 833 705-0399, extension 82949 (toll-free); email: patrick.bourassa@travail.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Labour, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 6e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5S1; email: ministre@travail.gouv.qc.ca.

JEAN BOULET
Minister of Labour

Regulation to amend the Decree respecting the automotive services industry in the Drummond and the Mauricie regions

Act respecting collective agreement decrees
(chapter D-2, s. 4, 1st par., s. 6, 1st par., and s. 6.1, 1st par.).

1. The Decree respecting the automotive services industry in the Drummond and the Mauricie regions (chapter D-2, r. 8) is amended by replacing section 9.01 by the following:

"**9.01.** The minimum hourly wage rates are the following:

Trades	As of (*insert the date of coming into force of this Regulation*)	As of 27 September 2027	As of 27 September 2028
1 Apprentice			
1st year	$21.99	$22.76	$23.56
2nd year	$23.36	$24.18	$25.02
3rd year	$24.32	$25.17	$26.05
4th year	$25.06	$25.93	$26.84
2 Journeyman			
A	$32.16	$33.29	$34.45
B	$30.98	$32.06	$33.18
C	$28.33	$29.32	$30.35
3 Parts clerk			
Grade 1	$19.52	$20.20	$20.91
Grade 2	$20.88	$21.62	$22.37
Grade 3	$22.05	$22.82	$23.62
Grade 4	$23.38	$24.20	$25.04
Grade 5	$23.90	$24.73	$25.60
Grade 6	$25.40	$26.29	$27.21
Grade 7	$26.18	$27.09	$28.04
4 Messenger	$19.42	$20.10	$20.80
5 Dismantler			
Grade 1	$19.52	$20.20	$20.91
Grade 2	$19.92	$20.62	$21.34
Grade 3	$20.98	$21.72	$22.48
6 Washer	$19.79	$20.49	$21.20

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Trades	As of (*insert the date of coming into force of this Regulation*)	As of 27 September 2027	As of 27 September 2028
7 Semiskilled worker			
Grade 1	$20.33	$21.04	$21.78
Grade 2	$22.08	$22.85	$23.65
Grade 3	$23.80	$24.64	$25.50
8 Service attendant			
Grade 1	$19.52	$20.20	$20.91
Grade 2	$21.01	$21.75	$22.51
Grade 3	$21.44	$22.19	$22.97
Grade 4	$22.93	$23.73	$24.57
Grade 5	$24.12	$24.96	$25.84

”.

2. Section 12.01 is amended by replacing “9 October 2022” and “2022” by “27 September 2028” and “2028”, respectively.

3. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

Act respecting racing
(chapter C-72.1)

Racing
— Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Rules respecting certification, appearing below, may be adopted by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Rules respecting certification (chapter C-72.1, r. 1) to revise certain conditions with which a person who applies for a licence must comply, the minimum age required to obtain a licence, and certain standards that a race track must meet.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Jessica Chauret, secretary general, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 4e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4X6; telephone: 367-995-7127; fax: 418 646 5204; email: jessica.chauret@racj.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Jessica Chauret at the above contact information.

ISABELLE MIGNAULT
President

Regulation to amend the Rules respecting certification

Act respecting racing
(chapter C-72.1, s. 103, 1st par., subpars. 9 and 12, and 2nd par.).

1. The Rules respecting certification (chapter C-72.1, r. 1) are amended in section 2

(1) in the first paragraph

(*a*) by inserting "48.1," after "sections 44, 46," in subparagraph 1;

(*b*) by replacing "a copy of his act of birth;" in subparagraph *a* of subparagraph 2 by "his birth certificate or a copy of his act of birth";

(2) by adding the following at the end:

"If the licence application concerns a person under 18 years of age, it must be accompanied by proof of consent of the person's tutor and, despite subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph, the person's birth certificate or a copy of the person's act of birth.".

2. Section 13 is amended by inserting "similar" before "material" in subparagraph *c* of paragraph 1.

3. Section 14 is amended

(1) in paragraph 1

(*a*) by inserting "or flexible posts or" after "hub rail" in subparagraph *b*;

(*b*) by inserting "or with official performances" after "pari-mutuel betting" in subparagraph *b*;

(*c*) by inserting the following after subparagraph *b*:

"(*c*) with a hard-packed surface or with another similar material approved by the board if races with official performances are held;";

(2) by inserting "or with official performances" after "pari-mutuel betting" in paragraph 2;

(3) by inserting "or with official performances" after "pari-mutuel betting" in paragraph 3.

4. Section 15 is amended by striking out subparagraph *a* of paragraph 11.

5. Section 16 is amended by inserting the following after subparagraph *j* of paragraph 5:

"(*k*) the chart maker;".

6. Section 17 is amended

(1) by inserting "or with official performances" after "pari-mutuel betting" in the portion before subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph;

(2) by inserting the following after subparagraph *d* of subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph:

"(*d*.1) the chart maker;";

(3) by adding the following at the end:

"If the application is to hold a calendar of races with official performances, the person must also possess

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(1) a communications system planned so as to allow the racing judges to communicate with the official at the photo finish service and the official responsible for the video recording of the races, in addition to the persons listed in subparagraph 4 of the first paragraph;

(2) a photo finish system. The system must make it possible to photograph each horse participating in a race from the same angle at the finish line in order to determine its position in the race, the time it took to cover the distance of the race and the distance between it and the other horses;

(3) a video race recording device equipped with at least 1 frontal and panoramic point of recording of the racing strip;

(4) an electronic timing device;

(5) a starting gate installed on a motor vehicle that must be equipped with a 2-way communications system enabling communication with the racing judges' stand, a loudspeaker system used solely to give instructions to drivers, a flashing light and a sounding device used only to notify the drivers that the start of a race must be recalled.".

7. Section 46 is replaced by the following:

"**46.** A person under 18 years of age may obtain an owner's licence the person's tutor agrees in writing to assume the responsibilities of owner.

The tutor may designate a person to whom he or she wishes to delegate some of the responsibilities of owner the tutor agreed to assume.

The tutor and, where applicable, the designated person must hold an authorized agent's licence and be 18 years of age or more.".

8. The following is inserted after section 48:

"**48.1.** A person wishing to obtain a Class D driver's licence must be at least 16 years of age.".

9. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

Act respecting racing
(chapter C-72.1)

Racing
—Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at a professional race track, appearing below, may be adopted by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at a professional race track (chapter C-72.1, r. 4) to revise certain standards for the holding or conduct of an activity subject to the Act respecting racing (chapter C-72.1) to be complied with by a person who organizes, conducts or participates in such an activity, in particular with respect to the organization, management and performance of races and the health control measures for participants and horses, including the taking of samples to test for drug or stimulant.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Jessica Chauret, secretary general, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 4e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4X6; telephone: 367-995-7127; fax: 418 646 5204; email: jessica.chauret@racj.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Jessica Chauret at the above contact information.

ISABELLE MIGNAULT
President

Regulation to amend the Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at a professional race track

Act respecting racing
(chapter C-72.1, s. 103, 1st par., subpar. 2, subpars. *a*, *b*, *c*, *f*, *i*, *j* and *k*, subpar. 21, and 2nd par.).

1. The Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at a professional race track (chapter C-72.1, r. 4) are amended in section 1

(1) by striking out paragraph 35;

(2) by replacing paragraph 40 by the following:

"(40) "declaration" means the receipt by the race secretary of a duly completed declaration application in order that a horse may participate in a specific race; (*inscription*)".

2. Section 39 is amended

(1) by replacing the first paragraph by the following:

"An association shall at all times maintain the communications system provided for in the Rules respecting certification (chapter C-72.1, r. 1).";

(2) by striking out "telephone" in the second paragraph.

3. Section 67 is amended

(1) by replacing "or their entry to finish in one of the first 3 places" in the second paragraph by "to finish in the first position";

(2) by replacing "or their entry to finish in one of the first 3 places" in the third paragraph by "to finish in the first position".

4. Section 81 is amended by striking out paragraph 36.

5. Section 83 is amended by adding the following at the end:

"The starts in races run with no official performance at that gait are not taken into account for the last 6 starts referred to in the first paragraph.".

6. Section 93 is amended by replacing "post in the race secretarial office" by "post on the website of the association or Standardbred Canada".

7. Section 132 is amended by replacing "post in the race secretarial office" in the first paragraph by "post on the website of the association or Standardbred Canada".

8. Section 164 is amended by striking out ", each entry being considered as only 1 horse".

9. Section 190 is replaced by the following:

"**190.** A horse must be declared in a race by its owner, the owner's agent or the trainer in person at the race secretarial office or by any means accepted by the association providing proof of receipt of the declaration before the declaration closing time.

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The declaration must state the name of the horse to be declared, the race in which the horse is declared and all the information regarding the horse and the race required by the association for the declaration.".

10. Section 193 is replaced by the following:

"The owner of a horse, the owner's agent or the trainer may not declare

(1) a horse in more than 1 race to be held on the same day;

(2) a horse if they do not hold the attestation referred to in section 53;

(3) more than 2 horses owned by the same owner or trained by the same trainer in a purse race or in a regular race as separate betting interests, except for stake races.

The attestation referred to in subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph must be filed with the race secretary at least 1 hour before the start of the race in which that horse is participating.".

11. Section 201 is amended by replacing subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph by the following:

"(3) where 2 or more horses are owned by the same owner, preference is first given to only 1 horse;".

12. Section 202 is amended by replacing "signs a declaration form for" by "declares".

13. Section 210 is amended

(1) by replacing "constituting an entry" in the first paragraph by "having the same owner or trainer";

(2) by striking out the second paragraph.

14. Section 214 is amended by striking out "hub rail" in the first paragraph.

15. Section 232 is amended in the first paragraph

(1) by striking out subparagraph 10;

(2) by striking out "or 345.3" in subparagraph 11.

16. Sections 239, 241 and 242 are revoked.

17. Section 261 is amended

(1) by replacing "36" in paragraph 3 by "37";

(2) by striking out paragraph 4.

18. Section 269 is amended by inserting "or a flexible post" at the end of subparagraph 8 of the first paragraph.

19. Section 274 is amended by inserting "or the flexible posts" after "hub rail".

20. Section 279 is amended by replacing "the shafts of the sulky" in the third paragraph by "and above the shafts of the sulky, except if it is used on the wheel discs of the sulky".

21. Section 281 is revoked.

22. Section 284 is amended by replacing subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph by the following:

"(1) direct it toward the inside or the outside of the strip without interfering with other horses;".

23. Section 285 is amended

(1) by adding "if they are of the opinion that that action gave the horse an unfair advantage over other horses in the race or the action helped improve its position in the race" before ", unless" in the fourth paragraph;

(2) by inserting "or between two flexible posts" at the end of the fifth paragraph.

24. Section 286 is amended by replacing "is part of an entry, all the horses of that entry" by "is owned or trained by the same owner or trainer who owns or trains other horses participating in the race, all those horses".

25. Section 301 is amended by replacing "means cannabis, cocaine, heroin, their preparations, derivatives and similar synthetic preparations" by "means the types of drugs referred to in subsection 5 of section 320.28 of the Criminal Code (R.S.C., 1985, c. C46)".

26. Section 302 is amended by inserting "when performing their occupation or duties" at the end.

27. Section 303 is amended

(1) by inserting ", during each race program," after "may";

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(2) by adding the following at the end:

", or when such persons

(1) show signs of physical or cognitive impairment;

(2) have been involved in an accident.".

28. Section 312 is amended by replacing "are part of a single entry" by "are owned or trained by the same owner or trainer,".

29. Section 333 is amended

(1) by inserting "or the flexible posts" after "hub rail" in the first paragraph;

(2) in the second paragraph

(*a*) by replacing "the inside hub rail of the racing strip" by "the hub rail or the flexible posts on the inside of the racing strip";

(*b*) by replacing "is moved" by "are moved".

30. Section 345.1 is amended by striking out "or bicarbonate (HCO_3)" in the first paragraph.

31. Section 345.2 is amended

(1) by replacing "bicarbonate (HCO_3) concentration or free carbon dioxide (TCO_2)" by "free carbon dioxide (TCO_2) concentration";

(2) by replacing "37 millimoles per litre of blood or" by "36 millimoles of".

32. Sections 345.3 and 345.4 are revoked.

33. Section 345.7 is amended by striking out "bicarbonate (HCO_3) or".

34. Section 345.9 is amended by replacing "bicarbonate (HCO_3) concentration or free carbon dioxide (TCO_2)" by "free carbon dioxide (TCO_2) concentration".

35. Section 345.11 is amended

(1) by replacing "37" in paragraph 2 by "36";

(2) by striking out paragraph 3.

36. Section 362 is amended by replacing "239, 241" in the portion before paragraph 1 by "238".

37. This Regulation comes intro force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Draft Regulation

Act respecting racing
(chapter C-72.1)

Racing
— Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at an amateur race track, appearing below, may be adopted by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at an amateur race track (chapter C-72.1, r. 5) to revise certain standards for the holding or conduct of an activity subject to the Act respecting racing (chapter C-72.1) to be complied with by a person who organizes, conducts or participates in such an activity, in particular with respect to the organization, management and performance of races and health control measures for participants, including the taking of samples to test for stimulant.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Jessica Chauret, secretary general, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 4e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4X6; telephone: 367-995-7127; fax: 418 646 5204; email: jessica.chauret@racj.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Jessica Chauret at the above contact information.

ISABELLE MIGNAULT
President

Regulation to amend the Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at an amateur race track

Act respecting racing
(chapter C-72.1, s. 103, 1st par., subpar. 2, subpars. *a*, *c*, *f* and *k*, subpar. 21, and 2nd par.).

1. The Rules respecting Standardbred horse races held at an amateur race track (chapter C-72.1, r. 5) are amended in section 1

(1) by striking out paragraphs 24 and 29;

(2) by replacing paragraph 34 by the following:

"(34) "declaration" means the receipt by the race secretary of a duly completed declaration application in order that a horse may participate in a specific race; (*inscription*)".

2. Section 3 is amended by adding the following at the end:

"For a race program with official performances, the following racing officials must also be present:

(1) an equipment judge who may also act as a horse identifier;

(2) an electronic timer official;

(3) a horse identifier.

Where an association so desires, a patrol judge may also be present for a race program with official performances.".

3. Section 11 is amended by inserting the following after subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph:

"(2.1) direct the activities of the equipment judge and of the horse identifier;".

4. Section 19 is amended by adding the following at the end of the first paragraph:

"(3) report to the paddock judge any doubt or error pertaining to the identity of a horse.".

5. The following is inserted after section 19:

"**DIVISION X**
EQUIPMENT JUDGE

19.1. The equipment judge must fulfil the following obligations:

(1) check the equipment of the horses that are in the paddock before a race in which those horses participate;

(2) establish and keep up to date a card for the equipment worn by each horse participating in a race;

(3) check the equipment of each horse participating in a race to ensure that it corresponds exactly to the equipment described on the card referred to in subparagraph 2;

(4) report to the paddock judge any change or modification in a horse's equipment.

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The equipment judge must be present in the paddock at least 45 minutes before the post time of the first race of a race program.

DIVISION XI
PATROL JUDGE

19.2. The patrol judge must fulfil the following obligations:

(1) supervise the activities on the racing strip during a race;

(2) remain constantly in communication with the racing judge;

(3) report to the racing judge

(*a*) any action that may influence the holding of a race or the result thereof;

(*b*) any violation of these Rules;

(*c*) any irregularity in the gait or physical condition of a horse;

(*d*) any change, absence or defect in a horse's equipment for a race;

(4) forward to the racing judge, after each race program, a detailed report of his or her observations and of any violations of these Rules that he or she has noted during the race program;

(5) perform any other tasks required by his or her duties.

The patrol judge must be present on the racing strip at least 45 minutes before the post time of the first race of a race program.".

6. Section 24 is amended by replacing the first paragraph by the following:

"An association must at all times maintain the communications system provided for in the Rules respecting certification (chapter C-72.1, r. 1).".

7. Section 33 is amended by replacing "12" by "24".

8. Section 47 is amended by striking out "or their entry" wherever it appears.

9. Section 59 is amended

(1) by striking out paragraph 36;

(2) by adding the following at the end:

"The performance of a horse is official where it participates in a race at a given gait during a race program with official performances and where the chart maker collects and records the information indicated in the first paragraph.".

10. Section 110 is amended by striking out ", each entry being considered as only 1 horse".

11. Section 111 is amended by striking out the second paragraph.

12. Section 120 is replaced by the following:

"**120.** A horse must be declared in a race by its owner, the owner's agent or the trainer in person at the race secretarial office, or by any means accepted by the association providing proof of receipt of the declaration before the declaration closing time.

The declaration must state the name of the horse to be declared, the race in which the horse is declared and all the information regarding the horse and the race required by the association for the declaration.".

13. Section 121 is replaced by the following:

"**121.** Only a declaration received by the race secretary before the declaration closing time is accepted, unless deposit of the declaration was omitted due to error or the negligence of a racing official or employee of an association.".

14. Section 123 is replaced by the following:

"**123.** The owner of a horse, the owner's agent or the trainer may not declare

(1) a horse in more than 1 race to be held on the same day;

(2) a horse if they do not hold the attestation referred to in section 33;

(3) more than 2 horses owned by the same owner or trained by the same trainer in a purse race or in a regular race as separate betting interests, except for stake races.

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The attestation referred to in subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph must be filed with the race secretary at least 1 hour before the start of the race in which that horse is participating.".

15. Section 124 is replaced by the following:

"**124.** Before the list of declared horses is displayed by the race secretary, no person may disclose the names of the horses declared to anyone.".

16. Section 131 is amended by replacing subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph by the following:

"(3) where 2 or more horses are owned by the same owner, preference is first given to only 1 horse;".

17. Section 132 is amended by replacing "signs a declaration form for" by "declares".

18. Section 140 is amended by replacing "constituting an entry" in the first paragraph by "owned by the same owner or trained by the same trainer".

19. Section 143 is replaced by the following:

"**143.** Where the program respecting a special race has not already been printed, post positions must be redrawn if there is an omission respecting a horse declared in that race.

Where the program respecting a special race has already been printed, post positions may not be redrawn. However, a horse declared in a special race and omitted at the drawing of post positions may participate under the following conditions:

(1) where the maximum number of horses that may start is not attained, the horse is to start at the last post position;

(2) where the maximum number of horses that may start is attained, the horse is to start at the last post position despite section 65 and the conditions for participation;

(3) the horse may not be declared for the purposes of pari-mutuel betting.".

20. Section 144 is amended by striking out "hub rail" in the first paragraph.

21. Section 157 is amended by adding the following at the end:

"Despite the first paragraph, where 5 horses or fewer are to start on the first line, the horses that occupy the post positions subsequent to that of the horse withdrawn fill the gap by getting nearer to that position, according to their post position order.".

22. Section 185 is amended by inserting "or a flexible post" at the end of subparagraph 8 of the second paragraph.

23. Section 190 is amended

(1) by inserting "or flexible posts" after "hub rail";

(2) by inserting "or the flexible posts" at the end.

24. Section 195 is amended by replacing "the shafts of the sulky" in the third paragraph by "and above the shafts of the sulky, except if it is used on the wheel discs of the sulky".

25. Section 197 is revoked.

26. Section 200 is amended by replacing subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph by the following:

"(1) direct it toward the inside or the outside of the strip without interfering with other horses;".

27. Section 201 is amended

(1) in the fourth paragraph

(*a*) by replacing "must" by "may";

(*b*) by inserting "if the racing judge is of the opinion that that action gave the horse an unfair advantage over other horses in the race or the action helped improve its position in the race," before "unless";

(*c*) by inserting "dont il a été victime" after "ou d'une collision" in the French text;

(2) by inserting "or between two flexible posts" at the end of the fifth paragraph.

28. Section 202 is amended by replacing "is part of an entry, all the horses of that entry" by "is owned by the same owner or trained by the same trainer as other horses participating in the race, all those horses".

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29. Section 217 is amended by replacing "means cannabis, cocaine, heroin, their preparations, derivatives and similar synthetic preparations" by "means the types of drugs referred to in subsection 5 of section 320.28 of the Criminal Code (R.S.C., 1985, c. C-46)".

30. Section 218 is amended by inserting "when performing their occupation or duties" at the end.

31. Section 219 is amended

(1) by inserting ", during each race program," after "may";

(2) by adding the following at the end: ", or when those persons

(1) show signs of physical or cognitive impairment;

(2) have been involved in an accident.".

32. Section 228 is amended by replacing "are part of a single entry" by "are owned by the same owner or trained by the same trainer".

33. Section 246 is amended by striking out "official" wherever it appears.

34. Section 248 is amended by striking out "and the time is declared official".

35. The following is inserted after section 248:

"**248.1.** For the time of a race to be declared official, the distance in linear feet between the starting line and the finish line of a racing strip must be measured 3 ft towards the outside of the strip from the hub rail or flexible posts on the inside of the racing strip and must be certified to the board by a civil engineer or a land surveyor.

That procedure must be repeated by the association each time the hub rail or flexible posts on the inside of the racing strip are moved.

248.2. Where a person ascertains an error in the publication of the official running time of a horse, the time may not be changed in a way that would favour the horse or its owner unless the racing judges, after consulting with the timer of the race, correct the error.".

36. The following is inserted after section 249:

"**249.1.** The record of a horse is the fastest time it ran in a race with official performances that it won.".

37. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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