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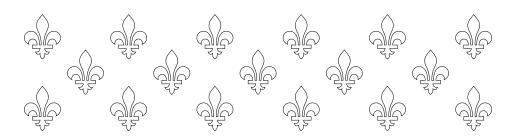
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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION

THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Bill 59 (1999, chapter 43)

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Ministère des Affaires municipales and other legislative provisions

Introduced 13 May 1999 Passage in principle 1 June 1999 Passage 26 October 1999 Assented to 27 October 1999

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill repeals the Act respecting the Ministère de la Métropole and amends the Act respecting the Ministère des Affaires municipales to transfer the powers of the Minister of State for Greater Montréal to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal. As a consequence, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the Ministère des Affaires municipales will be referred to as the Ministère of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal and the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de la Métropole, respectively.

LEGISLATION REPEALED BY THIS BILL:

- Act respecting the Ministère de la Métropole (R.S.Q., chapter M-19.1.1).

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

- Act respecting the Agence métropolitaine de transport (R.S.Q., chapter A-7.02);
- Act respecting land use planning and development (R.S.Q., chapter A-19.1);
- Act respecting the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (R.S.Q., chapter C-2);
- Cities and Towns Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-19);
- Highway Safety Code (R.S.Q., chapter C-24.2);
- Code of Civil Procedure (R.S.Q., chapter C-25);
- Municipal Code of Québec (R.S.Q., chapter C-27.1);
- Act respecting the Commission municipale (R.S.Q., chapter C-35);
- Act respecting the Communauté urbaine de l'Outaouais (R.S.Q., chapter C-37.1);
- Act respecting the Communauté urbaine de Montréal (R.S.Q., chapter C-37.2);

- Act respecting the Communauté urbaine de Québec (R.S.Q., chapter C-37.3);
- Chartered Accountants Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-48);
- Act respecting intermunicipal boards of transport in the area of Montréal (R.S.Q., chapter C-60.1);
- Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.Q., chapter C-61.1);
- Act respecting municipal and intermunicipal transit corporations (R.S.Q., chapter C-70);
- Act respecting municipal courts (R.S.Q., chapter C-72.01);
- Public Curator Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-81);
- Act respecting municipal debts and loans (R.S.Q., chapter D-7);
- Act respecting duties on transfers of immovables (R.S.Q., chapter D-15.1);
- Act respecting elections and referendums in municipalities (R.S.Q., chapter E-2.2);
- Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species (R.S.Q., chapter E-12.01);
- Executive Power Act (R.S.Q., chapter E-18);
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- Expropriation Act (R.S.Q., chapter E-24);
- Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., chapter F-2.1);
- Act respecting municipal industrial immovables (R.S.Q., chapter I-0.1);
- Taxation Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-3);
- Education Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-13.3);
- Education Act for Cree, Inuit and Naskapi Native Persons (R.S.Q., chapter I-14);

- Municipal Aid Prohibition Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-15);
- Act respecting the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation (R.S.Q., chapter M-14);
- Act respecting the Ministère des Affaires municipales (R.S.Q., chapter M-22.1);
- Government Departments Act (R.S.Q., chapter M-34);
- Act respecting municipal territorial organization (R.S.Q., chapter O-9);
- Pesticides Act (R.S.Q., chapter P-9.3);
- Police Act (R.S.Q., chapter P-13);
- Act respecting the preservation of agricultural land and agricultural activities (R.S.Q., chapter P-41.1);
- Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., chapter Q-2);
- Act respecting the Régie des installations olympiques (R.S.Q., chapter R-7);
- Act respecting the Pension Plan of Elected Municipal Officers (R.S.Q., chapter R-9.3);
- Act respecting the Société d'habitation du Québec (R.S.Q., chapter S-8);
- Act respecting the Société du Palais des congrès de Montréal (R.S.Q., chapter S-14.1);
- Act respecting the Société du parc industriel et portuaire de Bécancour (R.S.Q., chapter S-16.001);
- Act respecting the Société québécoise d'assainissement des eaux (R.S.Q., chapter S-18.2.1);
- Act respecting municipal and private electric power systems (R.S.Q., chapter S-41);
- Act respecting the lands in the public domain (R.S.Q., chapter T-8.1);

- Act respecting the remuneration of elected municipal officers (R.S.Q., chapter T-11.001);
- Cree Villages and the Naskapi Village Act (R.S.Q., chapter V-5.1);
- Act respecting Northern villages and the Kativik Regional Government (R.S.Q., chapter V-6.1);
- Act respecting mixed enterprise companies in the municipal sector (1997, chapter 41);
- Act respecting the Commission de développement de la métropole (1997, chapter 44);
- Act respecting the Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité and establishing the Commission des partenaires du marché du travail (1997, chapter 63);
- Act respecting the Ministère des Régions (1997, chapter 91);
- Act to establish the special local activities financing fund and to amend the Act respecting municipal taxation (1997, chapter 92);
- Act respecting the Agence de développement Station Mont-Tremblant (1997, chapter 100);
- Act respecting the negotiation of agreements concerning the reduction of labour costs in the municipal sector (1998, chapter 2);
- Act respecting Société Innovatech du Grand Montréal (1998, chapter 19);
- Act respecting certain facilities of Ville de Montréal (1998, chapter 47).

Bill 59

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACT RESPECTING THE MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES MUNICIPALES AND OTHER LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- **1.** The title of the Act respecting the Ministère des Affaires municipales (R.S.Q., chapter M-22.1) is amended by adding "et de la Métropole" at the end.
- **2.** Section 1 of the said Act is amended
 - (1) by inserting "et de la Métropole" after "municipales" in the first line;
 - (2) by inserting "and Greater Montréal" after "Affairs" in the second line.
- **3.** Section 2 of the said Act is amended by adding "and Greater Montréal" at the end.
- **4.** The heading of Division II of the said Act is replaced by the following heading:

"DIVISION II

- "RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MINISTER".
- **5.** The said Act is amended by inserting the following heading after the heading of Division II:
- "§1. Municipal affairs".
- **6.** Sections 8 to 10 of the said Act are repealed.
- **7.** The said Act is amended by inserting the following after section 17:
- "§2. Greater Montréal
- **"17.1.** The mission of the Minister shall be to promote and support the economic, cultural and social development of Greater Montréal, to oversee the interdepartmental coordination of government activities that concern Greater Montréal and to ensure its continued advancement, dynamism and influence.

The Minister's action, undertaken in consultation with the ministers concerned, shall focus in particular on the promotion of economic development and tourism, land use and development and the organization of transportation and transportation systems in Greater Montréal.

By such action, the Minister shall promote, within the framework of government guidelines and policies, job creation in the territory of Greater Montréal.

The responsibilities of the Minister as regards Greater Montréal shall be exercised in respect of the territory described in the schedule. The Government shall amend the schedule as required so that the territory it describes continues to correspond to the metropolitan census area.

- **"17.2.** The Minister shall act as a catalyst and consensus-maker for the promotion of the interests of Greater Montréal, by facilitating dialogue between
- (1) the State and the private sector, so that their interventions may complement each other;
- (2) private partners, so that their participation in the development of Greater Montréal may intensify and be effected harmoniously;
- (3) the Government of Québec, the Communauté urbaine de Montréal and the municipalities, so as to foster a unified line of action;
 - (4) the Government of Québec and the Government of Canada.

In addition, the Minister shall seek to increase the convergence and effectiveness of the actions taken by local and regional authorities within Greater Montréal. The Minister shall, in collaboration with such authorities, develop mechanisms to simplify the decision-making process for decisions involving the whole of the metropolitan area.

- "17.3. The Minister is, by virtue of the office of Minister, the adviser of the Government in all matters relating to Greater Montréal. The Minister shall provide the ministers of the various government departments with such advice as the Minister considers appropriate to promote the interests of Greater Montréal, and shall coordinate and ensure the coherence of government activities involving the whole of the metropolitan area. In the Minister's capacity as adviser of the Government,
- (1) the Minister shall participate in the preparation of departmental measures and decisions having a significant impact on Greater Montréal;
- (2) the Minister's opinion must be sought for any measure having a significant impact on Greater Montréal, before it is submitted to the Conseil du trésor or the Government for a decision.

"17.4. The Minister shall draw up guidelines and policies designed to further the development of Greater Montréal, propose them to the Government, and supervise their implementation.

More specifically, the Minister

- (1) may, together with the government departments and bodies concerned, agree on cooperative arrangements to facilitate the development and implementation of the guidelines and policies;
- (2) shall provide financial support, on the conditions determined by the Minister, for actions undertaken to develop and promote Greater Montréal;
- (3) shall provide the services the Minister considers necessary to any person, association, partnership or body;
- (4) may conduct or commission research, inventories, studies and surveys, and make them public.
- **"17.5.** The Minister and the Communauté urbaine de Montréal or the municipalities whose territories form part of Greater Montréal may enter into agreements. Such agreements may depart from the provisions of the Municipal Aid Prohibition Act (chapter I-15).
- "§3. General powers
- **"17.6.** The Minister shall draw up and propose policies to the Government that concern the activities of the department. The Minister shall direct and coordinate the implementation of such policies.
 - "17.7. The Minister may, in the exercise of the Minister's responsibilities,
- (1) obtain from the government departments and from government or municipal bodies any available information necessary for the performance of the Minister's functions;
- (2) enter into an agreement according to law with any government other than that of Québec, any Minister of such a government, any international organization or any agency of such a government or organization.

The Minister may also enter into an agreement with any person, association, partnership or body concerning any matter under the jurisdiction of the Minister.

"**17.8.** The Minister shall table a report on the activities of the department for each fiscal year in the National Assembly within six months of the end of the fiscal year or, if the Assembly is not sitting, within 30 days of resumption."

8. The said Act is amended by adding the following schedule at the end:

"SCHEDULE

"MUNICIPAL BODIES WHOSE TERRITORIES MAKE UP GREATER MONTRÉAL

(*Section 17.1*)

Communauté urbaine de Montréal

Municipalité régionale de comté de Champlain

Municipalité régionale de comté de Deux-Montagnes

Municipalité régionale de comté des Moulins

Municipalité régionale de comté de Roussillon

Municipalité régionale de comté de Thérèse-De Blainville

Ville de Beauharnois

Ville de Bellefeuille

Ville de Beloeil

Ville de Boucherville

Ville de Carignan

Ville de Chambly

Ville de Charlemagne

Canton de Gore

Ville de Hudson

Ville de Lafontaine

Ville de L'Assomption

Ville de Laval

Village de Lavaltrie

Ville de Le Gardeur

Municipalité des Cèdres

Ville de L'Île-Cadieux

Ville de L'Île-Perrot

Ville de Maple Grove

Municipalité de McMasterville

Village de Melocheville

Ville de Mirabel

Ville de Mont-Saint-Hilaire

Municipalité de Notre-Dame-de-Bonsecours

Municipalité de Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot

Ville d'Otterburn Park

Ville de Pincourt

Village de Pointe-des-Cascades

Ville de Repentigny

Ville de Richelieu

Municipalité de Saint-Amable

Ville de Saint-Antoine

Paroisse de Saint-Antoine-de-Lavaltrie

Ville de Saint-Basile-le-Grand

Ville de Saint-Bruno-de-Montarville

Paroisse de Saint-Colomban
Ville de Sainte-Julie
Paroisse de Saint-Gérard-Majella
Ville de Saint-Jérôme
Paroisse de Saint-Lazare
Municipalité de Saint-Mathias-sur-Richelieu
Municipalité de Saint-Mathieu-de-Beloeil
Paroisse de Saint-Sulpice
Municipalité de Terrasse-Vaudreuil
Ville de Varennes
Ville de Vaudreuil-Dorion
Village de Vaudreuil-sur-le-Lac".

- **9.** Section 4 of the Executive Power Act (R.S.Q., chapter E-18), amended by section 44 of chapter 58 of the statutes of 1997, section 128 of chapter 63 of the statutes of 1997 and section 51 of chapter 91 of the statutes of 1997, is again amended by adding "and Greater Montréal" at the end of paragraph 14.
- **10.** The Act respecting the Ministère de la Métropole (R.S.Q., chapter M-19.1.1) is repealed.
- **11.** Section 1 of the Government Departments Act (R.S.Q., chapter M-34), amended by section 52 of chapter 58 of the statutes of 1997, section 128 of chapter 63 of the statutes of 1997 and section 55 of chapter 91 of the statutes of 1997, is again amended
 - (1) by replacing paragraph 13 by the following paragraph:
- "(13) The Ministère des Affaires municipales et de la Métropole, presided over by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal;";
 - (2) by striking out paragraph 31.
- **12.** Section 21 of the Act respecting the Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité and establishing the Commission des partenaires du marché du travail (1997, chapter 63), amended by section 58 of chapter 91 of the statutes of 1997 and section 203 of chapter 36 of the statutes of 1998, is again amended by replacing "for Greater Montréal" in the first and second lines of subparagraph 4 of the third paragraph by "of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal".
- **13.** The words "of Municipal Affairs" and "des Affaires municipales" are replaced, respectively, by the words "of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal" and "des Affaires municipales et de la Métropole" wherever they appear in the following provisions:
- (1) paragraph 4 of section 1 of the Act respecting land use planning and development (R.S.Q., chapter A-19.1);

- (2) section 6 of the Act respecting the Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (R.S.Q., chapter C-2);
- (3) paragraph f of section 1, the third paragraph of section 3, subparagraph 13 of the first paragraph of section 6, the second paragraph of subsection 3 of section 28, the first paragraph of section 29.3, the second paragraph of section 29.7, the third paragraph of section 29.9.2, the fourth paragraph of section 29.10.1, sections 54 and 55, subsection 3 of section 100, the second paragraph of section 105, section 105.2, the second paragraph of section 108, the first paragraph of section 108.2, subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 116, section 318, the second paragraph of section 365, the first paragraph of section 465.1, the second paragraph of section 466.1, the first paragraph of section 468.1, the first paragraph of section 468.11, the first paragraph of section 468.36.1, section 468.37, subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph of section 468.38, the first paragraph of section 468.39, section 468.48, the first paragraph of section 468.49, the first paragraph of section 468.51, amended by section 6 of chapter 53 of the statutes of 1997, the first paragraph of section 468.53, the sixth paragraph of section 469.1, the first paragraph of subsection 2 of section 474, the third paragraph of section 477.2, amended by section 62 of chapter 93 of the statutes of 1997, the first paragraph of section 503, the first and second paragraphs of subsection 2 of section 541, the first, third and fourth paragraphs of section 554, the first paragraph of section 555, the first paragraph of section 556, the first paragraph of section 561.1, the first paragraph of section 562, the first paragraph of section 563.1, the third paragraph of section 564, the first paragraph of section 565, the second paragraph of subsection 2 and subsection 3 of section 567, section 572, subsection 7 of section 573, amended by section 7 of chapter 53 of the statutes of 1997, section 66 of chapter 93 of the statutes of 1997 and section 24 of chapter 31 of the statutes of 1998, the second paragraph of section 573.1, amended by section 8 of chapter 53 of the statutes of 1997, the first paragraph of section 573.3.1, amended by section 10 of chapter 53 of the statutes of 1997 and section 25 of chapter 31 of the statutes of 1998, the first paragraph of section 573.5, section 573.7, the first paragraph of section 573.8 and the second paragraph of section 592 of the Cities and Towns Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-19);
- (4) section 422 of the Highway Safety Code (R.S.Q., chapter C-24.2), amended by section 44 of chapter 79 of the statutes of 1997;
- (5) subparagraph *e* of the first paragraph of article 670 and articles 687.1 and 905 of the Code of Civil Procedure (R.S.Q., chapter C-25);
- (6) the third paragraph of article 2, the second paragraph of article 9, the first paragraph of article 14.1, the second paragraph of article 14.5, the third paragraph of article 14.7.2, the fourth paragraph of article 14.8.1, paragraphs 16 and 37 of article 25, the first and second paragraphs of article 140, subarticles 5 and 6 of article 142, amended by section 32 of chapter 31 of the statutes of 1998, the third paragraph of article 148, article 169, the second paragraph of article 176, the first, second and third paragraphs of article 176.2, the third paragraph of article 206, subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph of article 269,

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- (7) paragraph 2 of section 1, the second paragraph of section 55 and the first paragraph of section 100.1 of the Act respecting the Commission municipale (R.S.Q., chapter C-35);
- (8) section 1, the first paragraph of section 173, amended by section 191 of chapter 43 of the statutes of 1997, sections 189 and 199, the first paragraph of section 239.1, the first paragraph of section 248 and section 267 of the Act respecting the Communauté urbaine de l'Outaouais (R.S.Q., chapter C-37.1);
- (9) the third paragraph of section 33.1, the first paragraph of section 120.0.3.1, the first paragraph of section 120.1, section 120.3, the first paragraph of section 120.4, the second paragraph of section 121.3, the fourth paragraph of section 223, the second paragraph of section 231.4, the second paragraph of section 234, the first paragraph of section 291.22, section 291.30.1, the fourth paragraph of section 291.34, the second paragraph of section 293, section 305, the third paragraph of section 306.14, the fourth paragraph of section 306.16, the second paragraph of section 306.37, the first paragraph of section 306.38, the second and third paragraphs of section 306.41, the second paragraph of section 306.42, section 306.65, the first paragraph of section 317 and section 333 of the Act respecting the Communauté urbaine de Montréal (R.S.Q., chapter C-37.2);

- (10) section 1, section 219, the first paragraph of section 225.1 and sections 234 and 250 of the Act respecting the Communauté urbaine de Québec (R.S.Q., chapter C-37.3);
 - (11) section 29 of the Chartered Accountants Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-48);
- (12) sections 10 and 98 of the Act respecting intermunicipal boards of transport in the area of Montréal (R.S.Q., chapter C-60.1);
- (13) paragraph 3 of section 15.1 and the first paragraph of section 128.2 of the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.Q., chapter C-61.1);
- (14) the second paragraph of section 83.1, the second paragraph of section 87, the fourth paragraph of section 89, the first and third paragraphs of section 94, the second paragraph of section 95, the second paragraph of section 102, section 102.2, the second paragraph of section 102.3, the first paragraph of section 102.5 and section 102.10 of the Act respecting municipal and intermunicipal transit corporations (R.S.Q., chapter C-70);
- (15) section 18.1, the third paragraph of section 18.3, the first paragraph of section 21, the first paragraph of section 23, amended by section 4 of chapter 30 of the statutes of 1998, the second paragraph of section 89, amended by section 22 of chapter 30 of the statutes of 1998, section 91, amended by section 24 of chapter 30 of the statutes of 1998, section 98, the first paragraph of section 109 and the first paragraph of section 111, amended by section 29 of chapter 30 of the statutes of 1998, of the Act respecting municipal courts (R.S.Q., chapter C-72.01);
- (16) the second paragraph of section 37 of the Public Curator Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-81), amended by section 22 of chapter 80 of the statutes of 1997;
- (17) the first paragraph of section 1, the third and fifth paragraphs of section 2, sections 3 and 11, the first and fourth paragraphs of section 12, the first and fourth paragraphs of section 15, the first paragraph of section 15.1, the first paragraph of section 20, sections 22.1 and 22.2, inserted by section 39 of chapter 53 of the statutes of 1997, section 35, the second paragraph of section 48.1 and the second and fourth paragraphs of section 49 of the Act respecting municipal debts and loans (R.S.Q., chapter D-7);
- (18) paragraph *c* of section 17 and section 28 of the Act respecting duties on transfers of immovables (R.S.Q., chapter D-15.1);
- (19) the first paragraph of section 10, amended by section 3 of chapter 34 of the statutes of 1997, the first paragraph of section 41.1, the first paragraph of section 45, paragraph 4 of section 62, amended by section 226 of chapter 43 of the statutes of 1997, the second paragraph of section 88, section 251, the second paragraph of section 278, paragraph 4 of section 307, the second paragraph of section 337, the second paragraph of section 339, the heading of

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- (20) the second paragraph of section 6 and the first paragraph of section 12 of the Act respecting threatened or vulnerable species (R.S.Q., chapter E-12.01);
- (21) section 7 of the Act to secure the handicapped in the exercise of their rights (R.S.Q., chapter E-20.1), amended by section 126 of chapter 63 of the statutes of 1997;
- (22) the second paragraph of section 53.11 of the Expropriation Act (R.S.Q., chapter E-24);
- (23) the first paragraph of section 1, amended by section 257 of chapter 43 of the statutes of 1997, the first paragraph of section 80.2, the first paragraph of section 126, the first paragraph of section 131.1, section 132, section 133, the first paragraph of section 138.1, subparagraph 4 of the second paragraph of section 138.5, amended by section 266 of chapter 43 of the statutes of 1997, paragraph 4 of section 138.9, amended by section 268 of chapter 43 of the statutes of 1997, paragraph 2 of section 154, the fourth paragraph of section 180 and subparagraph 4 of the third paragraph of section 183, amended by section 288 of chapter 43 of the statutes of 1997, of the Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., chapter F-2.1);
- (24) the third paragraph of section 6, the second paragraph of section 13.8 and section 19 of the Act respecting municipal industrial immovables (R.S.Q., chapter I-0.1);
 - (25) section 1129.30 of the Taxation Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-3);
- (26) the second paragraph of section 311 and the first and second paragraphs of section 426 of the Education Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-13.3);
- (27) subparagraph 28 of the first paragraph of section 1, subsections 2 and 6 of section 220, the first and second paragraphs of section 222 and the first and second paragraphs of section 508 of the Education Act for Cree, Inuit and Naskapi Native Persons (R.S.Q., chapter I-14);

- (28) section 2 of the Municipal Aid Prohibition Act (R.S.Q., chapter I-15), amended by section 5 of chapter 70 of the statutes of 1997;
- (29) subparagraph 1.1 of the first paragraph of section 2 of the Act respecting the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation (R.S.Q., chapter M-14);
- (30) sections 16 and 18, the first, third, fourth and fifth paragraphs of section 30, the second paragraph of section 36, the first paragraph of section 45, the fourth paragraph of section 58, the first paragraph of section 90, the first paragraph of section 92, the fourth paragraph of section 106, the first paragraph of section 111, section 124, the third paragraph of section 131, the first paragraph of section 139, the fifth paragraph of section 153, the first paragraph of section 162, the first paragraph of section 179, the first paragraph of section 193, sections 201, 210.3.1, 210.8 and 210.11, the first paragraph of section 210.31, subparagraph 3 of the second paragraph of section 210.53, section 210.63, the fourth paragraph of section 210.79, the first paragraph of section 214.1, the first paragraph of section 214.3 and sections 279 and 289 of the Act respecting municipal territorial organization (R.S.Q., chapter O-9);
 - (31) sections 18 and 19 of the Pesticides Act (R.S.Q., chapter P-9.3);
- (32) the second paragraph of section 64.1, the third paragraph of section 79.7 and the first paragraph of section 81 of the Police Act (R.S.Q., chapter P-13);
- (33) the first paragraph of section 79.7 and section 79.10 of the Act to preserve agricultural land and agricultural activities (R.S.Q., chapter P-41.1);
- (34) the third paragraph of section 43, the second paragraph of section 104 and sections 118.3.1 and 118.3.2 of the Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., chapter Q-2);
- (35) sections 76 and 82 of the Act respecting the Pension Plan of Elected Municipal Officers (R.S.Q., chapter R-9.3);
- (36) paragraph *e* of section 1 and sections 59, 74, 82 and 95 of the Act respecting the Société d'habitation du Québec (R.S.Q., chapter S-8);
- (37) section 32 of the Act respecting the Société du parc industriel et portuaire de Bécancour (R.S.Q., chapter S-16.001);
- (38) subparagraph 10 of the first paragraph of section 18, the third paragraph of section 19, the first paragraph of section 21, section 27, the first paragraph of section 27.1, the second paragraph of section 35.1, section 37, the first and second paragraphs of section 38 and sections 42 and 46 of the Act respecting the Société québécoise d'assainissement des eaux (R.S.Q., chapter S-18.2.1);

- (39) paragraph b of subsection 2 of section 14 of the Act respecting municipal and private electric power systems (R.S.Q., chapter S-41);
- (40) the first paragraph of section 23, the first paragraph of section 24 and the first and second paragraphs of section 25 of the Act respecting the lands in the public domain (R.S.Q., chapter T-8.1);
- (41) section 67 of the Act respecting the remuneration of elected municipal officers (R.S.Q., chapter T-11.001);
- (42) paragraph 13 of section 1 of the Cree Villages and the Naskapi Village Act (R.S.Q., chapter V-5.1);
- (43) paragraph *m* of section 2 and sections 18.1, 20, 157, 338, 361.1 and 408 of the Act respecting Northern villages and the Kativik Regional Government (R.S.Q., chapter V-6.1);
- (44) the first paragraph of section 4, the first paragraph of section 5, section 8, the first paragraph of section 9, the first paragraph of section 17, sections 18 to 20, the first paragraph of section 30, the second paragraph of section 48, the second paragraph of section 61 and sections 62 and 69 of the Act respecting mixed enterprise companies in the municipal sector (1997, chapter 41);
- (45) sections 60, 61 and 65, the first paragraph of section 68 and the first paragraph of section 90 of the Act respecting the Commission de développement de la métropole (1997, chapter 44);
- (46) the first paragraph of section 1, the first paragraph of section 5, section 8, the first paragraph of section 9, section 11, the second paragraph of section 12, the second paragraph of section 22, the first paragraph of section 24 and section 25 of the Act to establish the special local activities financing fund and to amend the Act respecting municipal taxation (1997, chapter 92);
- (47) section 18, the second paragraph of section 22 and the first paragraph of section 27 of the Act respecting the Agence de développement Station Mont-Tremblant (1997, chapter 100);
- (48) section 45 of the Act respecting the negotiation of agreements concerning the reduction of labour costs in the municipal sector (1998, chapter 2).
- **14.** The words "of State for Greater Montréal" are replaced by the words "of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal" in the following provisions:
- (1) section 173 of the Act respecting the Agence métropolitaine de transport (R.S.Q., chapter A-7.02);

- (2) paragraph *c* of section 1 of the Act respecting the Régie des installations olympiques (R.S.Q., chapter R-7);
- (3) section 30 of the Act respecting the Société du Palais des congrès de Montréal (R.S.Q., chapter S-14.1);
- (4) sections 7 and 117 of the Act respecting the Commission de développement de la métropole (1997, chapter 44);
- (5) section 66 of the Act respecting the Ministère des Régions (1997, chapter 91);
- (6) section 4, sections 5 and 33, amended by sections 34 and 35 of chapter 8 of the statutes of 1999, and sections 45 and 46 of the Act respecting Société Innovatech du Grand Montréal (1998, chapter 19);
- (7) section 42 of the Act respecting certain facilities of Ville de Montréal (1998, chapter 47).
- **15.** Unless the context indicates otherwise, in any other Act, any statutory instrument and in any other document,
- (1) a reference to the Minister or Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs or to the Ministère des Affaires municipales, to the Minister of State for Greater Montréal, to the Deputy Minister of Greater Montréal or to the Ministère de la Métropole is a reference to the Minister or Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Greater Montréal or to the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de la Métropole;
- (2) a reference to the Act respecting the Ministère de la Métropole or to any of its provisions is a reference to the Act respecting the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de la Métropole or to the corresponding provision of that Act.
- **16.** Every regulation, order in council or order in force on 27 October 1999, made under a provision that is repealed, struck out or replaced by this Act, remains in force until it is replaced or repealed, to the extent that it is consistent with the provisions enacted or amended by this Act.
- **17.** This Act comes into force on 27 October 1999.

Regulations and other acts

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1216-99, 3 November 1999

An Act respecting trust companies and savings companies (R.S.Q., c. S-29.01)

Establishment of security

Regulation respecting the establishment of security by trust companies and savings companies in respect of the Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (CDS) and Euroclearc Clearance System Société Cooperative (Euroclear)

WHEREAS under paragraph 5 of section 191 of the Act respecting trust companies and savings companies (R.S.Q., c. S-29.01), no Québec company within the meaning of the Act may hypothecate its property or the property allocated to the payment of deposits unless it does so in cases provided for by regulation of the Government;

WHEREAS the Government wants to make such a regulation to provide for a company to establish securities in respect of the Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (CDS) and Euroclear Clearance System Société Coopérative (Euroclear) in order to allow the company to participate in the securities clearing and depository services offered by CDS and Euroclear;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) the draft Regulation respecting the establishment of security by trust compagnies and savings compagnies in respect of the Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (CDS) and Euroclear Clearance System Société Coopérative (Euroclear) was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 28 April 1999 with a notice that it could be made by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation without amendment;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of State for the Economy and Finance and Minister of Finance:

THAT the Regulation respecting the establishment of security by trust compagnies and savings compagnies in respect of the Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (CDS) and Euroclear Clearance System Société Coopérative (Euroclear), attached hereto, be made.

MICHEL NOËL DE TILLY, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation respecting the establishment of security by trust companies and savings companies in respect of the Canadian Depository for Securities Ltd (CDS) and Euroclear Clearance System Société Coopérative (Euroclear)

An Act respecting trust companies and savings companies (R.S.Q., c. S-29.01, s. 191, par. 5)

- **1.** For the purposes of participating in the securities clearing and depository services offered by the Canadian Depository for Securities Limited (CDS) or by Euroclear Clearance System Société Coopérative (Euroclear), a Québec company may hypothecate its property or the property allocated to the payment of deposits.
- **2.** This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting the establishment of security by trust companies and savings companies in respect of the Canadian Depository for Securities Ltd. (CDS), made by Order in Council 989-94 dated 6 July 1994.
- **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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Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 1217-99, 3 November 1999

An Act respecting administrative justice (R.S.Q., c. J-3)

Administrative Tribunal of Québec — Rules of procedure

Rules of procedure of the Administrative Tribunal of Ouébec

WHEREAS under section 109 of the Act respecting administrative justice (R.S.Q., c. J-3), the Administratrive Tribunal of Québec may, by a regulation adopted by a majority of its members, make rules of procedure specifying the manner in which the rules established by Chapter VI of the Act or in the special Acts under which proceedings are brought are to be applied;

WHEREAS under that section, such rules of procedure may differ according to the divisions or, in the case of the social affairs division, according to the matters to which they apply;

WHEREAS under that section, the regulation is made after consultation with the Conseil de la justice administrative and upon approval by the Government;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), the Rules of procedure of the Administrative Tribunal of Québec were published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 27 January 1999, with a notice that they could be submitted to the Government for approval upon the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS in accordance with section 109 of the Act, the Conseil de la justice administrative has been consulted;

WHEREAS the Tribunal adopted the Rules of procedure of the Administrative Tribunal of Québec with amendments at its meeting of 18 June 1999;

WHEREAS it is expedient to approve the Rules;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, upon the recommendation of the Minister of Justice:

THAT the Rules of procedure of the Administrative Tribunal of Québec, attached to this Order in Council, be approved.

MICHEL NOËL DE TILLY, Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Rules of procedure of the Administrative Tribunal of Québec

An Act respecting administrative justice (R.S.Q., c. J-3, s. 109)

- **1.** These Rules apply to all proceedings brought before the Tribunal, except those within the jurisdiction of the social affairs division acting as a review board within the meaning of the Criminal Code.
- **2.** The secretariat of the Tribunal is open to the public from Monday to Friday, on juridical days, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- **3.** The following are non-juridical days:
 - (1) Saturdays and Sundays;
 - (2) 1 and 2 January;
 - (3) Good Friday;
 - (4) Easter Monday;
 - (5) the Monday preceding 25 May;
 - (6) 24 June;
 - (7) 1 July;
 - (8) the first Monday in September;
 - (9) the second Monday in October;
 - (10) 24, 25, 26 and 31 December;
 - (11) any other holiday fixed by the Government.
- **4.** If the date fixed for performing an act falls on a non-juridical day, it may validly be done on the next following juridical day.
- **5.** In computing any time period, the day which marks the start of the period is not counted and, except for periods counted in clear days, the terminal day is.

Non-juridical days are counted but a period that would normally expire on such a day shall be extended to the next following juridical day.

6. The motion instituting the proceeding and the required documents and notices shall be filed with the Tribunal as follows:

- (1) in person, with the secretariat of the Tribunal or, in the case of the motion instituting the proceeding, with any office of the Court of Québec;
- (2) by mail, addressed to the secretariat of the Tribunal;
 - (3) by fax, with the secretariat of the Tribunal; or
- (4) by electronic mail, if available, addressed to the secretariat of the Tribunal.
- **7.** The date of filing of a document is the date on which it is received at the secretariat of the Tribunal or at the office of the Court of Québec, as the case may be.
- **8.** Where the motion instituting the proceeding is received by electronic mail, the secretariat of the Tribunal shall print it out, indicating on it the date of receipt. A copy thereof shall be sent to the applicant as an acknowledgment of the application's receipt and confirmation of its content, together with a notice informing him that he is responsible for making any corrections in writing, within the time indicated.
- **9.** Where duties, fees or other expenses are established for filing a document, the document is not validly filed unless these have been paid.

However, in the case of the motion instituting proceedings, an applicant who has not fully paid the prescribed duties, fees or expenses in full may do so within 30 days following the receipt of the motion by the Tribunal.

10. A motion instituting proceedings shall be presented in writing on the form provided by the Tribunal or otherwise.

The motion shall

- (1) indicate the applicant's name and address, telephone number and, where applicable, E-mail address and fax number:
- (2) indicate, if the applicant is represented, the representative's name and address, telephone number and, where applicable, E-mail address and fax number;
- (3) briefly state the grounds invoked in support of the recourse; and
 - (4) mention the conclusions sought.

The contested decision or the documents related to the facts giving rise to the recourse shall be attached to the motion. Failing that, the motion shall indicate

- (1) if the recourse is to contest a decision:
- (a) the authority that made the decision;
- (b) the date of the decision;
- (c) the file number given by that authority;
- (2) if no decision is contested, the facts giving rise to the recourse.

The motion shall be signed by the applicant or the representative.

11. Any other application to the Tribunal shall be presented in writing and notice thereof shall be sent to the other parties.

The application shall indicate the names of the parties, the file number of the Tribunal, the grounds invoked in support thereof and the conclusions sought.

If the applicant is not one of the parties, the application shall indicate the applicant's name, address, telephone number and, where applicable, E-mail address and fax number. If the applicant is represented, the application shall also contain the same information for the representative.

The application shall be signed by the applicant or the representative.

An application may be presented orally if authorized by the Tribunal.

- **12.** Any other written communication from a party to the Tribunal shall be sent by the party to the other parties.
- **13.** Any party or representative shall inform the secretariat of the Tribunal without delay of any change in address or telephone number.
- **14.** Where a general plan of the immovables to be expropriated is filed with the Tribunal pursuant to section 39 of the Expropriation Act (R.S.Q., c. E-24), an appendix indicating the cadastre number of each immovable involved, the nature of the expropriated right and the name of the last known holder of that right shall be attached to the plan.

Every related notice of expropriation filed after the general plan shall bear the file number of that plan.

- **15.** The documents relevant to a contestation in matters of municipal taxation, a copy of which must be provided under the second paragraph of section 114 of the Act respecting administrative justice (R.S.Q., c. J-3), are, in addition to the application for review and the assessor's proposal or decision, the documents that are submitted to him on the occasion of that review and those to which his proposal or decision refers, as well as any assessor's certificate issued since the filing of the motion instituting the proceeding.
- **16.** Any person who has a sufficient interest may, with the authorization of the Tribunal and on the conditions it determines, make representations in a proceeding before the decision on the proceeding is rendered.

For any proceeding brought pursuant to the Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., c. Q-2), any person making representations shall file with the Tribunal a notice to that effect at least 30 days before the date of the hearing.

17. Any party to a recourse may, with the authorization of the Tribunal and on the conditions it determines, implead a third party whose presence is necessary to resolve the dispute completely.

The Tribunal may, ex officio, order the impleading of any person whose interests could be affected by its decision.

18. A notice of hearing, in order to be valid, must be sent to a party at the last address filed of record.

The notice shall also be sent to the party's representative at his last address.

19. A party requesting postponement of the hearing shall apply to the Tribunal as soon as the invoked grounds become known.

Such postponement shall be granted only if it is based on serious grounds and if the interests of justice are thus better served. No postponement shall be granted solely because the parties agree thereto.

- **20.** A party who discharges or replaces his representative shall so inform the Tribunal and the other parties in writing without delay.
- **21.** A person who agrees to represent a party after the motion is filed shall so inform the Tribunal and the other parties in writing without delay.

- **22.** A person who ceases to represent a party shall so inform the Tribunal and all parties in writing without delay.
- **23.** Where a party is represented, the communications of the Tribunal, except the notice of hearing and the Tribunal's decision, shall be addressed to the representative only.
- **24.** A party who requires that a witness be summoned to appear, to testify about what he knows, to produce a document or both, shall complete the subpoena.

Such party is responsible for the service of the subpoena issued by a member of the Tribunal at least five clear days before the hearing, or at least ten clear days before the hearing if the subpoena is addressed to a Minister or a Deputy Minister of the Government.

In case of emergency, a member of the Tribunal may shorten the period for service of a subpoena, but it may not be less than 12 hours. The Tribunal member shall mention it on the subpoena.

A person serving a prison term may be summoned to appear only if a member of the Tribunal orders the warden or guard, as the case may be, to bring him before the court.

25. Any person testifying as a witness shall do so under oath.

A witness who does not understand the nature of the oath is exempted from taking it, but must be informed of the obligation to tell the truth.

- **26.** A party who intends to adduce an expert's report as evidence shall file two copies with the secretariat of the Tribunal and send one copy to the other parties on the date fixed by the Tribunal or, failing that, at least 15 days before the date of the hearing, unless the Tribunal decides otherwise.
- **27.** In cases involving persons who require protection because they could endanger themselves or others, the institution having custody of such a person shall provide the Tribunal with copies of the order for custody in an institution, including any renewals, and of the psychiatric examination reports on the basis of which the order was issued, no later than 24 hours before the date of the hearing.
- **28.** For proceedings within the jurisdiction of the immovable property division, unless the Tribunal decides otherwise, an expert witness shall be heard only if,

on the date fixed by the Tribunal or, failing that, no later than 15 days before the date of the hearing, the party who intends to have him testify has filed with the secretariat of the Tribunal three copies of the expert's report, with a copy for each other party, and has informed the other parties of such filing at the same time.

Such party may obtain a copy from the secretary of the Tribunal if he has already filed his expert's report or a statement to the effect that he does not intend to call any expert witness.

In the case of a proceeding brought pursuant to Chapter X of the Act respecting municipal taxation (R.S.Q., c. F-2.1), where the value is lower than that fixed in accordance with section 33 of the Act respecting administrative justice, an expert witness may be heard without his report having been previously filed.

- **29.** A party who produces documents at the hearing shall make a sufficient number of copies for the Tribunal and all the other parties.
- **30.** All persons attending the hearing shall behave with dignity and respect towards justice. They shall refrain from doing anything that could disrupt the hearing.
- **31.** Representations made at the hearing shall be recorded on audio tape, unless a party has them recorded by a stenographer or stenotypist at its expense.

A party who requests a transcription of the hearing shall provide a copy to the Tribunal free of charge.

In the cases where the Tribunal may award costs, the recording and transcription expenses shall be included in them.

- **32.** The minutes of the hearing shall be drawn up in the form established by the Tribunal. They shall contain the following information, in particular:
- (1) the date and time of the beginning and end of the hearing, and where it takes place;
 - (2) the names of the members of the Tribunal;
- (3) the names and addresses of the parties and, where applicable, those of their representatives and witnesses;
- (4) the name and address of the person responsible for the recording;
- (5) the name and address of the stenographer and proof of oath;

- (6) the name and address of the interpreter and proof of oath;
- (7) whether a telephone conference was held and the parties' consent thereto;
 - (8) the various stages of the hearing;
 - (9) the exhibits adduced;
 - (10) incidental proceedings and objections;
- (11) the date when an act or action must be carried out;
 - (12) the Tribunal's decisions; and
- (13) the date on which the case is taken under advisement.
- **33.** Unless otherwise provided for by law, the filing of a discontinuance declaration or of a notice of settlement terminates the proceedings.

In matters of expropriation, the parties shall then file with the secretariat of the Tribunal a document indicating that an agreement has been reached, the date of the agreement and the detailed amount of the indemnity for the immovables and movables, rights of way, damages and expert's fees or, in the absence of a written agreement, if the expropriated right has been transferred, a copy of the notarial deed evidencing the transfer. If the expropriating party has acquired the immovable expropriated for failure to pay the taxes, a copy of the sale contract entered into with the municipality shall be filed.

- **34.** A written agreement reached by the parties to settle their dispute may be submitted to the Tribunal for approval.
- **35.** The Tribunal's decision shall be forwarded to the parties and their representatives.
- **36.** These Rules come into force on the 45th day following the date of their publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, except section 31, which will come into force on 1 July 2000.

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Draft Regulations

Draft Regulation

Building Act (R.S.Q., c. B-1.1)

Exemption from the application of the Act — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting exemption from the application of the Building Act, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government, with or without amendments, upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to ensure concordance with the proposed Building Code. Its purpose is essentially to specify the building categories, facilities and installations covered by Chapter I of the said Code.

More specifically, the draft Regulation proposes to exempt from the application of Chapter I of the Building Code buildings which by their usage are not presently considered as public buildings within the meaning of the Public Buildings Safety Act (R.S.Q., c. S-3), as well as establishments covered by the Act respecting occupational health and safety (R.S.Q., c. S-2.1) when the safety of the public is not in question. With the exception of residential condominiums having more than two storeys and more than eight dwellings, this constitutes the continuance of the current scope of application as regards buildings.

The draft Regulation also proposes to designate certain facilities such as bleachers, tents, circus tents, inflatable structures and belvederes as facilities for public use once they meet certain construction criteria. These criteria refer to notions of the area of the facilities (belvederes), the density of the number of users (bleachers) or the use of these facilities for the purposes of shows (circus tents). With the exception of belvederes, this constitutes the continuance of the current scope of application as regards facilities.

Lastly, the draft Regulation proposes to subject buildings and facilities for public use which are owned by the Government, its departments and agencies that are mandataries of the Government to the application of Chapter II of the Building Act and to the Regulations of application under that chapter and to Chapter I of the Building Code. Thus, as is presently the case under the Public Buildings Safety Act, construction work with respect to governmental public buildings will be subject to the same building standards as public buildings in the private sector.

Except as regards certain condominiums and belvederes, the draft Regulation has shown no particular impact since it amends very slightly, on the whole, the categories of buildings, facilities and installations covered by the Regulations.

As regards owners of condominiums, they are, in most cases, already subject to municipal regulations similar to those proposed by the Building Code. As for belvederes, they are, in most cases, the property of governmental agencies that customarily ensure the respect of applicable building standards or that leave the responsibility of this to the professionals charged with their conception and design. Other owners of these facilities shall assume the impact of the new regulations for facilities built or transformed after the coming into force of the Building Code.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Yvon Migneault, architect, Régie du bâtiment du Québec, 800, place d'Youville, 14° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5S3 (telephone: (418) 643-9906; fax: (418) 646-9280).

Any interested person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to Alcide Fournier, Chairman of the Régie du bâtiment du Québec, 545, boulevard Crémazie Est, 3° étage, Montréal (Québec) H2M 2V2.

DIANE LEMIEUX, Minister of State for Labour and Employment and Minister of Labour

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting exemption from the application of the Building Act*

Building Act (R.S.Q., c. B-1.1, ss. 4.1, 5, 10 and 182, 1st par., subpars. 1°, 3° and 4°; 1998, c. 46)

- **1.** The French title of the Règlement sur l'exemption de l'application de la Loi sur le bâtiment is amended by substituting "d'" for "sur l'exemption de l'".
- **2.** The Regulation is amended by inserting the following immediately before section 1:

"DIVISION I

EXEMPTION FROM THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER IV OF THE BUILDING ACT".

3. The Regulation is amended by adding the following at the end:

"DIVISION II

EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS FROM THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER I OF THE BUILDING CODE

- **3.3** The following buildings, which are used solely for the purposes provided for in the Code, are exempted from the application of Chapter I of the Building Code, approved by Order in Council (*enter the number and date of the Order in Council*):
- (1) a meeting facility not covered by paragraphs 6 and 10 and having a capacity of no more than nine persons;
- (2) a health care or detention establishment which constitutes:
 - (a) a prison;
- (b) a supervised education centre with or without detention facilities used to shelter or receive no more than nine persons;
- (c) a supervised residence used to shelter or receive no more than nine persons; or

- (d) a convalescence home used to shelter or receive no more than nine persons;
 - (3) a dwelling which constitutes:
 - (a) a building used for housing having
- i. no more than two storeys within the meaning of Chapter I of the Building Code;
 - ii. no more than eight dwellings;
- (b) a rooming house, an outfitter offering no hostelry services or a boarding house where such a building has no more than nine rooms;
- (c) a hotel having no more than two storeys within the meaning of the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings (R.R.Q., 1981, c. S-3, r.4) operated by a natural person in a single family dwelling, which is also used as his residence, having no more than six bedrooms and housing less than 15 guests;
- (d) a monastery, a convent or novices' quarters owned by a religious corporation incorporated under a special act of Québec or by the Religious Corporations Act (R.S.Q., c. C-71), where that building or part of the building divided by a fire division wall is occupied by no more than 30 persons and having no more than three storeys within the meaning of the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings; or
- (e) a shelter used to shelter or receive no more than nine persons;
- (4) a business establishment having no more than two storeys within the meaning of Chapter I of the Building Code;
- (5) a commercial establishment having a total floor area of no more than 300 sq. m when that building is used as a store;
- (6) a childcare centre used to shelter or receive no more than nine persons;
 - (7) a subway station;
 - (8) an agricultural usage;
- (9) an industrial establishment where that building is not accessible to the public;
- (10) all uses included in a family-type building within the meaning of paragraph 7.2 of section 1 of the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings and complying with paragraph 1.1 of section 6 of the Regulation.

^{*} The Regulation respecting exemption from the application of the Building Act, made by Order in Council 375-95 dated 22 March 1995 (1995, G.O. 2, 1100), was last amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 758-98 dated 3 June 1998 (1998, G.O. 2, 2218). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1999, updated to 1 September 1999.

DIVISION III

DESIGNATION OF FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC USE

- **3.4** The following facilities are facilities for public use for the purposes of section 10 of the Act:
- (1) bleachers, grandstands or exterior terraces whose highest point, relative to the ground, exceeds 1.2 m and whose load capacity exceeds 60 persons;
- (2) tents or exterior inflatable structures covered in Chapter I of the Building Code approved by Order in Council (enter the number and date of the Order in Council) and used
 - (a) as dwellings or health care or detention facilities; or
- (b) as meeting facilities or commercial establishments whose floor area exceeds 150 sq. m and whose load capacity exceeds 60 persons;
- (3) belvederes built with materials other than backfill and constituted of horizontal platforms linked by their construction elements whose total area exceeds 100 sq. m or whose load capacity exceeds 60 persons including access facilities.

DIVISION IV

SUBJECTION OF GOVERNMENTAL BUILDINGS TO CHAPTER II OF THE BUILDING ACT

- **3.5** The Government, its departments and agencies which are the mandataries of the Government are bound, for their buildings and facilities for public use by Chapter II of the Act and by the Regulations of application under that Chapter.".
- **4.** This Regulation comes into force on (enter the date corresponding to the ninetieth day following the date of its publication in the Gazette officielle du Québec).

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Draft Regulation

Building Act (R.S.Q., c. B-1.1)

Building Code

Notice is hereby given in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the "Building Act", the text of which appears below, may be approved by the Government, with or without amendments, upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to establish, for the entire territory of Québec, basic standards applicable to building work and to facilities intended for use by the public in order to insure the quality of such work and thus the safety of the public.

These standards make up Chapter 1 of the Building Act which is essentially composed of the National Building Code, 1995 edition, to which amendments have been made in order to facilitate its application and adapt it to the specific needs of Québec. Moreover, a specific section governing the transformation of existing buildings as well as a mechanism for the continual updating of standards and materials has been added.

The most important modifications concern;

- the obligation relating to the installation of sprinklers in certain types of buildings heretofore exempted;
- specific details regarding the standards relating to mechanical ventilation in order to palliate the imperviousness of buildings:
- the improvement of standards relating to the accessibility and adaptability of buildings for disabled persons;
- the updating of reference standards contained in the National Building Code in order to take into account technological evolution;
- to render the standards more supple for a new category of buildings, that being supervised residences, so as to take into account the needs of the clientele housed therein.

Certain financial ramifications of the draft Regulation affect the owners of buildings. They have been the object of an impact study.

In other respects, the adoption of basic standards for the entire territory of Québec implies that municipalities will no longer have the power to adopt identical or equivalent standards, nor to enforce them. Agreements of Delegation concerning their enforcement are however possible.

The adoption of standards solely for Québec will also have the advantage of facilitating the work of designers and contractors. The lessening of the administrative obligations relating to the submitting and the systematic verification of plans and specifications, to the completion of work and to the production of certificates of conformity is consistent with governmental orientations in matters of regulatory reduction.

For the owner of the building, the draft Regulation creates no regulatory obligation contrary to those that presently exist for owners of public buildings. However it reverts to the owner to be in conformity with the Building Code in cases where the usage or destination of the building is changed; when, according to the Code, such a transformation necessitates more stringent safety measures.

Finally, the proposed solution permits the entire building industry in Québec to evolve technically in harmony with those of the other provinces since the majority of these have chosen CNB-95 as the basic document for their building standards regulations and it essentially calls upon the technical and administrative capability of the building trade already adapted to the market and this without affecting their financial capacity.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Mr. Yvon Migneault, architect, Régie du bâtiment du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 14° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5S3 (telephone (418) 643-9906; fax (418) 646-9280)

Any interested person having comments to make on this matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to Mr. Alcide Fournier, Chairman of the Régie du bâtiment du Québec, 545, boulevard Crémazie Est, 3° étage, Montréal (Québec) H2M 2V2.

DIANE LEMIEUX, Minister of State for Labour and Employment and Minister of Labour

CONSTRUCTION CODE

Building Act

(R.S.Q., c. B-1.1 s. 173, 174, 176, 176.1, 178, 179, 185 and 192; 1998, c.46;)

CHAPTER I BUILDING

SECTION I INTERPRETATION

1. In this chapter, unless the context indicates otherwise, the word "Code" refers to the "National Building Code of Canada 1995" (NRCC 38726), including the July 1998 modifications, and to the "Code national du bâtiment — Canada 1995" (CNRC 38726F), including the July 1998 modifications published by the Canadian

Commission on Building and Fire Codes, National Research Council of Canada, as well as all subsequent modifications and editions that may be published by this organization.

However, any modifications and new editions published after the effective date of this Code will only apply to construction work six months following the publication of the French text of these modifications or editions.

SECTION II APPLICATION OF THE NATIONAL BUILDING CODE

2. Except as permitted by the exemptions provided for by regulation adopted by the government under Subparagraph (1) of the first Paragraph of Section 182 of the Building Act (R.S.Q. c. B-1.1), and by the modifications provided for in this Chapter, the Code applies in Québec to all construction work on a building subject to the Act, including its surroundings, and performed after the effective date of this Code. It also applies to public equipment designated by a regulation adopted by the government under Subparagraph 4 of the first Paragaraph of Section 182 of the Act.

SECTION III MODIFICATIONS TO THE CODE

3. As of the effective date of this Chapter, any reference in this Code to a standard or code mentioned in Table 1 is a reference to a standard or the code of the Construction Code Chapter referring to it, as well as to any modifications or editions that may be published by the organization having developed this code or standard in compliance with the requirements of this Chapter.

TABLE 1

DESIGNATION	TITLE	Construction Code CHAPTER
CAN/CGA-B149.1-M	Natural Gas Installation Code	II
CAN/CGA-B149.2-M	Propane Installation Code	II
NRCC 38728	National Plumbing Code — Canada 1995	III
CAN/CSA-B44	Safety Code for Elevators	IV

DESIGNATION	TITLE	Construction Code CHAPTER
CSA-B355	Lifts for Persons with Physical Disabilities	IV
CSA-C22.1	Canadian Electrical Code, Part 1	V
CAN/CSA-B72-M	Installation Code for Lighting Protection Systems	VI
CSA-B51	Boiler, Pressure Vessel, and Pressure Piping Code	VII
CAN/CSA-B52	Mechanical Refrigeration Code	e VII

4. The Code is modified:

- 1° by deleting Subsections 1.1.1. and 1.1.2.;
- 2° in Article 1.1.3.2.:
- 1° by adding "(See Appendix A)" at the end of the definition of "Alteration".;
- 2° by replacing the definition of 'Authority having jurisdiction' by the following:
- ""Authority having jurisdiction": Régie du bâtiment du Québec.";
- 3° by replacing the definition of "Boiler" by the following:
- ""Boiler": an appliance other than a <u>water heater</u>, powered by a direct source of energy for heating liquid or producing steam from water.";
 - 4° by deleting the definition of "*Constructor*";
- 5° by replacing the definition of "Grade" by the following:

""Grade" (as applied to the determination of <u>building height</u>): the lowest of the average levels of finished ground, when these levels are measured, either along each outer wall of a <u>building</u>, within a distance of 3 m from the wall, based on surveys that include any difference in level other than those providing access to the entrance doors of the building for automobiles or pedestrians, or aligned on the <u>public way</u> or any access way for fire protection vehicles along the outer wall of this building (See First storey).":

- 6° by replacing the definition of "<u>Habitation</u>" by the following in French version:
- ""Habitation (residential occupancy) (groupe C)"": bâtiment, ou partie de bâtiment, où des personnes peuvent dormir, sans y être hébergées ou internées en vue de recevoir des soins médicaux, ou sans y être détenues.";
- 7° by replacing the definition of "Occupancy" by the following:
- ""Occupancy": actual or intended use of a <u>building</u> or part of a building.":
 - 8° by deleting the definition of "Owner";
- 9° by inserting the following after the definition of "Repair garage":
- ""Residential board and care occupancy (Group B, Division 2)": health care or detention facility, other than a facility of Group B, Division 1, an hospital, a health office, or a nursing home, which houses people who receive or to whom are only offered transition medical care or assistance. (See Appendix A).";
- 10° by replacing the word "<u>theatrical</u>" by the word "<u>public</u>" in the first and second line in the definition of "<u>Stage</u>";
- 11° by replacing the definition of "Suite" by the following:
- ""Suite": a single room or a series of rooms of complementary use occupied by a single tenant or owner; includes but is not limited to <u>dwelling units</u>, individual bedrooms in motels, hotels, rooming and boarding houses, dormitories, single-dwelling houses, as well as stores and <u>business and personal services occupancies</u> comprising a single room or a series of rooms (See Appendix A).";
- 12° by replacing the definition of "Theatre" by the following:
- ""Theatre)": a place of public assembly designed for public presentations of plays, operas, movies or other performances, consisting of an auditorium comprising fixed seats reserved for the exclusive use of an audience.";
- 3° in Article 1.1.4.1., by replacing the address of the organization designated by the initialism "BNQ" by the following:

"Bureau de normalisation du Québec, (333, rue Franquet, Sainte-Foy (Québec) G1P 4C7)";

 4° by adding the following Subsection after Subsection 2.1.6.:

"2.1.7. Part 10

"2.1.7.1. Scope

- 1) Part 10 applies to <u>buildings</u> that are five years old or more and which are under <u>alteration</u>, maintenance, or repair.";
 - 5° by replacing Article 2.3.1.2. by the following:

"2.3.1.2. Required Plans

- 1) Plans and specifications are required for construction work on a <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use, to which Chapter 1 of the Construction Code applies, when information is required under Sections 2.3.2. to 2.3.5. for this work.
- 2) The plans shall be drawn to scale and shall indicate the nature and scope of the work or the proposed occupancy in sufficient detail to establish that the finished work and occupancy meet the requirements of the NBC.
- 3) The plans must be signed and sealed, when required by an Act governing the practice of a profession, by a qualified professional as defined in the Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26).";
- 6° in Article 2.3.4.2., by deleting, in the second line of Sentence (1), the words "submitted with the application to build":
- 7° in Article 2.3.4.3., by deleting, in the second line of Sentence (1), the words "submitted with the application to build":
 - 8° in Article 2.3.4.6.:
- 1° by deleting, in the first and second lines of Sentence (1), the words "submitted with the application to build or excavate":
 - 2° by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- **"2)** Evidence that justifies the information on the drawings shall be available for review.":
 - 9° by adding the following Article after Article 2.4.1.3.:

"2.4.1.4. Lightning Protection

- 1) All lightning protection systems must comply with municipal, provincial or territorial regulations, or in their absence, with standard CAN/CSA-B72-M, "Installation Code for Lightning Protection Systems".";
- 10° by replacing Sections 2.5. and 2.6. by the following:

"Section 2.5. Declaration of Construction Work

"2.5.1. General

"2.5.1.1. Scope

- 1) The contractor or owner/builder must declare to the Régie du bâtiment du Québec the construction work he performed relative to a <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use, and to which Chapter 1 of the Construction Code applies.
- 2) Sentence (1) does not apply to construction work that was declared under Subparagraph 1.1° of Section 120 of an Act respecting Land Use Planning and Development (R.S.Q., c. A-19.1) modified by Section 27 of Chapter 93 of the Statutes of 1997.

"2.5.2. Transmission of the Declaration

"2.5.2.1. Transmission Requirements

1) The declaration required under Article 2.5.1.1. shall be transmitted to the Régie no later than the twentieth day of the month following the beginning of work.

"2.5.2.2. Form

1) The declaration of work may be made on a form provided by the Régie or on any other document clearly and legibly completed for this purpose.

"2.5.2.3. Contents

- 1) The declaration shall clearly and legibly include the following information:
- a) the address of the <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use, where applicable, and the number of the lot where the construction work is performed,
- b) the name, address, and telephone number of the person for whom this work is performed,
- c) the name, address, telephone number, and licence number of the contractor or owner/builder,

- d) the expected beginning and end dates of the construction work.
 - e) the nature and type of work,
- f) the <u>occupancy</u> of the <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use, its classification under Chapter 1 of the Construction Code, the number of <u>storeys</u> as well as the existing or planned <u>building area</u>.

"Section 2.6. Certificate of Compliance

"2.6.1. Construction Work Affected

"2.6.1.1. Scope

- 1) The owner/builder or contractor who contracts with a person other than a contractor shall, in the cases listed below, provide the Régie du bâtiment du Québec with a certificate of compliance with the Construction Code for the construction work performed on a building or equipment designed for public use, to which Chapter 1 of the Construction Code applies, when this work is not subject to equivalent or different measures under Sections 127 and 128 of the Building Act (R.S.Q., c. B-1.1):
- a) this work relates to a design process, structure, construction element, equipment, or facility for which there is no comparable case in Québec,
- b) it includes many architectural concepts which notably involve the presence of <u>mezzanines</u>, <u>interconnected floor spaces</u>, smoke control systems, or labyrinth patterns.
 - c) it involves an increase in design load,
- d) it relates to a <u>floor area</u> whose dimensions are considered unlimited, as defined in Articles 3.2.2.20., 3.2.2.23., 3.2.2.29., 3.2.2.36., 3.2.2.38., 3.2.2.42., 3.2.2.49., 3.2.2.57., 3.2.2.67. and 3.2.2.73.,
- e) it involves an <u>occupancy</u> which meets the following conditions:
- i) the area per occupant, as determined under Subsection 3.1.16., is less than 1 m²,
- ii) the occupants are limited in their actions or moves during their <u>occupancy</u> of a facility or recreational equipment which may increase the evacuation time, cause an error in the choice of the direction towards the <u>exits</u>, or create a state of panic during an evacuation,
- f) it includes special or non-repetitive events which involve a gathering of people.

"2.6.2. Presentation of Certificates

"2.6.2.1. Deadline and Signature

- 1) The certificate required under Article 2.6.1.1. shall be presented to the Régie no later than 30 days following the end of work.
- 2) This certificate shall be presented and signed by a person recognized under Article 2.6.3.

"2.6.3. Recognized Person

"2.6.3.1. Designation

1) For the purpose of Article 2.6.2.1., a recognized person is an architect or an engineer or a professional technologist who was trained in engineering or construction.

"2.6.3.2. Revocation

- 1) The Régie revokes the recognition of a recognized person in the following cases:
- a) the trustee of the professional corporation of which this person is a member is referred this person's case under Section 21 of the Building Act,
- b) this person is no longer a member of this corporation.

"2.6.4. Form and Content

"2.6.4.1. Form

- 1) In addition to the declaration certifying compliance of the work, which must include the verified elements, the methods and data used for establishing it, the date, and the signature of the recognized person who presented it, the certificate of compliance shall also contain the following information:
- a) the address of the <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use, where applicable, and the lot number of the construction work location,
- b) the name, address, and telephone number of the owner for whom the construction work was performed,
- c) the name, address, telephone number, and licence number of the contractor or owner/builder for whom this certificate is presented,
- d) the name, address, and telephone number of the person recognized by the Régie,

- e) a description of the <u>occupancy</u> of the <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use which is the subject of the certificate.
- f) the location where the plans and specifications of the <u>building</u> or equipment designed for public use may be obtained or reviewed,
 - g) the date of the end of the construction work.
- 2) The certificate of compliance may be completed using the form provided for this purpose by the Régie.";
 - 11° by deleting Subsection 2.7.1.;
 - 12° in Article 2.7.3.2.:
 - 1° by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- "1) The editions of the documents which are referenced in the NBC are those designated in Table 2.7.3.2. with the exception of the cases described in Article 3 of Chapter 1 of the Construction Code approved by Order in Council (*indicate here the number and date of the decree approving this Code*) (See Appendix A).";
- 2° by replacing number "95" by number "91" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., at reference "CGA CAN/CGA-B149.1-M95", under "Document Number";
- 3° by inserting in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., after the reference "BNQ NQ 3624-115-1995 Thermo-Plastic Pipe Flexible Corrugated Tubing and Fittings for Soil Drainage 9.14.3.1. (1)", the following reference: "BNQ NQ 5710-500/1997 Gaz médicaux ininflammables Réseaux de distribution des établissements fournissant des services de santé 3.7.5.1. (1)";
- 4° by deleting "(Supplement #1-B44S1-97)" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., at reference "CSA CAN/CSA-B44-94 (Supplement #1-B44S1-97)";
- 5° by replacing number "97" by "M1991" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., at reference "CSA B51-97", under "Document Number";
- 6° by replacing number "95" by number "92" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., at reference "CSA B52-95", under "Document Number";
- 7° by replacing "6.3.1.4.(1)" by "2.4.1.4.(1)" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., at reference "CSA CAN/CSA-B72-M87 Installation Code for Lightning Protection Systems 6.3.1.4.(1)", under "Code Reference";

- 8° by replacing reference "B182.1-96" by reference "CAN/CSA-B182.1- M92" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2.. under "Document Number":
- 9° by inserting reference "CSA CAN/CSA-Z91-M90 Safety Code for Window Cleaning Operations 3.5.5.1.(1)" after reference "CSA CAN/CSA-Z32.4-M86 Essential Electrical Systems for Hospitals 3.2.7.6.(1)" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2.;
- 10° by inserting reference "CSA CAN3-Z271-M84 Safety Code for Suspended Powered Platforms 3.5.5.1.(1)" after reference "CSA Z240.10.1-94 Site Preparation, Foundation and Anchorage of Mobile Homes 9.15.1.4.(1), 9.23.6.3.(1)" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2.;
- 11° by deleting reference "CSA CAN/CSA-Z305.1-92 Nonflammable Medical Gas Piping System 3.7.5.1.(1)" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2.;
- 12° by replacing number "94" by number "87" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2., at reference "CGSB CAN/CGSB-34.22-M94", under "Document Number";
- 13° by replacing reference "TC Règlement sur les aéroports de la loi sur l'aéronautique" by "TC TP2586F-1985 Heliports et Heli-plates-Formes. Normes et pratiques Recommandées" in the documents listed in Table 2.7.3.2. in the French version;
 - 13° by replacing Article 3.1.2.5. by the following:

"3.1.2.5. Residential Board and Care

- 1) Except as permitted under Sentences (2) and (3), any <u>residential board and care</u> facility that can accommodate a maximum of 30 people may, notwithstanding the provisions on <u>care or detention occupancy</u>, be built in compliance with the <u>residential occupancy</u> requirements, providing the following conditions are met:
 - a) the building height does not exceed 3 storeys,
- b) subject to Sentence (2), the <u>building</u> is entirely <u>sprinklered</u>,
 - c) each bedroom:
- i) has a addressable photoelectric <u>smoke detector</u> installed in conformance with Sentence 3.2.4.11.(2) and when there are more 10 persons with Clause 3.2.4.3.(1) (b),
 - ii) has no electrical outlet for connecting a range.

- 2) Any <u>residential board and care</u> facility that can accommodate a maximum of 16 people may, notwithstanding the provisions on <u>care or detention occupancy</u>, be built in compliance with the <u>residential occupancy</u> requirements, providing the following conditions are met:
 - a) the <u>building height</u> does not exceed 1 <u>storey</u>,
- b) photoelectric <u>smoke alarms</u> are installed in each bedroom, in addition to those required under Article 3.2.4.21., and must be interconnected if the <u>building</u> does not have a fire alarm system as required under Clause 3.2.4.1.(2)(i),
- c) the <u>basement</u>, where applicable, is designed only for the installation of the <u>building's</u> mechanical or maintenance equipment,
- d) each bedroom door has a hold-open device designed to maintain the door open at different positions, which is installed in compliance with Sentence 3.1.8.12.(5), unless the bedrooms are located in <u>fire compartments</u> as defined in Sentences 2 to 8 of Article 3.3.3.5.
- 3) Any convalescence facility or youth center which can accommodate a maximum of 10 people may, not-withstanding the provisions on <u>care or detention occupancy</u>, be built in compliance with the <u>residential occupancy</u> requirements, providing the following conditions are met:
- a) the occupants can circulate without the help of another person,
- b) the occupants are grouped in a <u>building</u> comprising exclusively a single <u>dwelling unit</u>.";
- 14° in Article 3.1.4.2., by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (1):
- "2) The space between the foamed plastic insulation and protection required under Sentence (1) shall be no more than 75 mm.";
 - 15° in Article 3.1.4.3.:
- 1° by replacing the part of Sentence (1) which precedes the Clause (a) by the following:
- "1) In a <u>building</u> for which a <u>combustible construction</u> is authorized, the electrical wires and cables, telecommunication wires and cables, and fibre-optic cables shall:";
- 2° by replacing Subclause (i) of Clause (b) of Sentence (1) by the following:

- "i) totally enclosed <u>noncombustible</u> raceways; however, a <u>combustible</u> raceway may be used, providing it does not penetrate or go through a <u>fire separation</u> for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required (See Appendix A),";
 - 3° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (1):
- **"2)** In the case of a telecommunication cable located within a <u>building</u>, the requirements of Sentence (1) apply to the part of the cable exceeding 3 m, as measured from its entrance point into the building.";
 - 16° by replacing Article 3.1.5.6. by the following:

"3.1.5.6. Nailing Strips

- 1) Wooden nailing elements, installed directly on a <u>noncombustible</u> continuous surface, or which are embedded therein, are authorized for applying an interior finish material in a <u>building</u> for which a <u>noncombustible</u> <u>construction</u> is required, providing the resulting concealed space is no more than 75 mm in thickness.
- 2) Continuous wooden nailing elements for covering a roof or a bead-type copper wall are authorized in a building for which a noncombustible construction is required, providing they are installed directly on an X-type gypsun board of at least 15.9 mm in thickness.";
- 17° in Article 3.1.5.8., by replacing number "300" by number "375" on the second line of Sentence (2);
- 18° in Article 3.1.5.11., by replacing Clause (e) of Sentence (2) by the following:
- "e) any thermal barrier other than foamed plastic insulation, which meets the requirements of Class B when tested in compliance with standard CAN4-S124-M, "Standard Method of Test for the Evaluation of Protective Coverings for Foamed Plastic insulation" (See Appendix A).";
 - 19° in Article 3.1.5.15.:
- 1° by replacing what precedes Sentence (1) by the following:

"3.1.5.15. Combustible Piping Systems";

- 2° by replacing the part of Sentence (1) preceding Clause (a) by the following:
- **"1)** Except as permitted under Clause 3.1.5.2.(1)(e) and Sentences (2) and (3), <u>combustible</u> piping, tubing, couplings, and joining adhesives are authorized in a <u>building</u> for which a <u>noncombustible construction</u> is

required, providing they are not located in the concealed space of a wall or sunk into a concrete slab, and providing, when a test is performed on an representative installation assembly, they:";

- 3° by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- **"2)** The use of <u>combustible</u> piping is authorized in each of the following cases:
- a) for water supply, if the pipe has an external diameter of no more than 30 mm,
- b) for sprinkler systems in a <u>sprinklered floor area</u> in a <u>building</u> for which a <u>noncombustible construction</u> is required (See also Article 3.2.5.14.).",
 - 20° by replacing Article 3.1.5.17. by the following:

"3.1.5.17. Wires and Cables

- 1) Except as permitted under Article 3.1.5.18., electrical wires and cables, telecommunication wires and cables, and fibre-optic cables with <u>combustible</u> jackets or sheathing are authorized in a <u>building</u> for which a <u>noncombustible construction</u> is required, providing one of the following conditions is met:
- a) these wires and cables do not char on more than 1.5 m when submitted to the Vertical Flame Test, as defined in Clause 4.11.4. of Standard CAN/CSA-C22.2 No 0.3, "Test Methods for Electrical Wires and Cables",
 - b) these wires and cables are located in:
- i) totally enclosed <u>noncombustible</u> raceways (See Note A-3.1.4.3. (1)(b)(i)),
- ii) totally enclosed non-metallic raceways complying with Article 3.1.5.19.,
 - iii) masonry walls,
 - iv) concrete slabs,
- v) a <u>service room</u> isolated from the rest of the <u>building</u> by a <u>fire separation</u> of at least 1 h,
- c) these wires and cables are communication cables which do not extend more than 3 m from their entrance point into the <u>building</u> (See Appendix A),
- d) these wires and cables meet the following conditions:

- i) they do not propagate flame or do not burn more than 1 minute when submitted to the Vertical Flame Test as defined in Clause 4.11.1. of Standard CAN/CSA-C22.2 N° 0.3, "Test Methods for Electrical Wires and Cables".
- ii) they are located in a concealed space within a wall.
- 2) The requirement in Clause (1)(a) is considered to be met where the wires and cables exhibit a flame-spread of not more than 1.5 m (4 ft 11 in), a smoke density of not more than 0.5 at peak optical density and a smoke density not more than 0.15 at averge optical density when tested in conformance with the Flame and Smoke Test in the Appendix to CSA C22.2 No. 0.3, "Test Methods for Electrical Whires and Cables" (FT6 Rating).";

21° in Article 3.1.5.19.:

- 1° by replacing number "625" by number "700" on the second line of Sentence (1);
- 2° by replacing the words "optical fibre cables and electrical wires and cables" by the words "electrical wires and cables, telecommunication wires and cables, and fibre-optic cables" on the fourth and fifth lines of Sentence (1);
- 22° in Article 3.1.8.11., by adding the following Clause after Clause (d) of Sentence (2):
- "e) any bedroom in a <u>residential board and care</u> facility and any <u>public corridor</u> or adjacent room when this bedroom is <u>sprinklered</u> or located in a <u>fire compartment</u> built in conformance with Sentences (2) to (8) of Article 3,3,3,5,":

23° in Article 3.1.8.12.:

- 1° by replacing "and (4)" by ", (4) and (5)" on the last line of Sentence (1);
 - 2° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (4):
- "5) The hold-open devices mentioned in Sentence (1), installed on the bedroom doors of a <u>residential board and care</u> facility, as described in Sentence 3.1.2.5.(2), must be designed to release the door in response to a smoke alarm signal.";
- 24° in Article 3.1.9.1., by inserting the words ", tele-communication wires and cables" on the second line of Sentences (1) and (2), after the words "electrical wires and cables";

25° in Article 3.1.9.3.:

- 1° by inserting the words ", and telecommunication wires and cables" after the words "electrical wires and cables" on the second line of Sentence (1);
- 2° by replacing Sentences (2) and (3) by the following:
- "2) Except as permitted under Sentence (3), single or grouped electrical wires and cables, telecommunication wires and cables, and optical fibre cables which are not inside a totally enclosed <u>noncombustible</u> raceway and whose outer diameters do not exceed 30 mm may:
- a) penetrate or go through a <u>fire separation</u> for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required without being incorporated into this separation at the time of testing, as required under Article 3.1.9.2., providing the <u>combustible</u> jackets or sheathing meet the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.17.(1)(a),
- b) penetrate or go through a vertical <u>fire separation</u> for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required, providing the <u>combustible</u> jackets or sheathing meet the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.17.(1)(d),
- c) partly penetrate without go through an horizontal <u>fire separation</u> for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required, providing the <u>combustible</u> jackets or sheathing meet the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.17.(1)(d).
- "3) Totally enclosed nonmetallic raceways which meet the requirements of Article 3.1.5.19., as well as single-conductor metal-sheathed cable with a combustible jacket which are more than 30 mm in diameter, may penetrate a fire separation for which a fire-resistance rating is required or go through without being incorporated into this separation at the time of the testing, as required under Article 3.1.9.2.";

26° in Article 3.1.9.4.:

1° by replacing the title "Combustible Piping Penetrations" by the following:

"Combustible Duct and Piping Penetrations";

- 2° by replacing the part of Sentence (4) which precedes Clause (a) by the following:
- **"4)** Combustible drain, ventilation, or central vacuum piping, or a bathroom exhaust duct may penetrate a <u>fire separation</u> for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required or go through, or go through a membrane that forms part

- of a assembly for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required, provided:";
- 3° by adding the following Clause after Clause (b) of Sentence (4):
- "c) the vacuum piping or the bathroom <u>exhaust duct</u> only serves for one <u>dwelling unit</u>.";
- 27° in Article 3.1.10.7., by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- "2) If <u>buildings</u> are separated by a <u>firewall</u>, <u>combustible</u> elements which project beyond the end of the <u>firewall</u>, including balconies, landings, canopies, eaves, and stairs, are not permitted within 1.2 m of the centerline of the <u>firewall</u> (See Article 3.2.3.6.)."

28° in Article 3.1.16.1.:

- 1° by adding the following facilities in Table 3.1.16.1., under "Type of Use of Floor Area or Part Thereof", at the end of the list of "Assembly uses":
 - "Arcades"
 - "Libraries, museums, and skating rinks"
 - "Gymnasiums, and physical fitness facilities"
 - 'Swimming pools"
 - "Dance floors"
 - "Exhibition halls and interpretation centres";
- 2° by adding the following values, opposite the appropriate facility in table 3.1.16.1., under "Area per person, in m²":
 - "Arcades": the number "1.85"
- "Libraries, museums, and skating rinks": the number "3.00"
- "Gymnasiums, and physical fitness facilities": the number "9.30"
 - "Swimming pools": "(4)"
 - "Dance floors": the number "0.40"
- "Exhibitions halls, and interpretation centres": the number "3.00"
- 3° by adding the following Note under Table 3.1.16.1., after note "(3) See A-3.3.1.4(1)":
- "(4) The <u>occupant load</u> in a swimming pool is obtained by calculating 1.40 m² of water surface per person in the part of the pool which is 1.40 m deep or less, and 2.20 m² in the other part.";
- 29° in Article 3.2.2.18., by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:

"2) In a <u>building</u> with more than one <u>major occupancy</u>, if a <u>storey</u> or <u>floor area</u> must be entirely <u>sprinklered</u>, as required under Articles 3.1.2.5., and 3.2.2.20. to 3.2.2.83., or Section 3.3., all <u>storeys</u> located below this <u>storey</u> must also be sprinklered, notwith-standing any indication to the contrary which may be contained in Articles 3.2.2.20. to 3.2.2.83. (See Appendix A).";

30° by replacing Article 3.2.2.22. by the following:

"3.2.2.22. Group A, Division 1, 1 Storey

- 1) A <u>building</u> classified as Group A, Division 1 <u>building</u> may be built in compliance with Sentence (2), provided the following conditions are met:
 - a) it has 1 storey in building height,
- b) no part of the auditorium floor of this <u>building</u> is more than 5 m above or below grade,
- c) any space located above or below this auditorium has an <u>occupancy</u> incidental to this space,
- d) the <u>occupant load</u> of the auditorium is no more than 300.
- 2) This <u>building</u> may be of a <u>combustible construction</u> when the following conditions are met:
 - a) its floors shall be <u>fire separations</u> of at least 45 min,
- b) its <u>mezzanines</u> shall have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 45 min if they are of a <u>combustible construction</u>,
- c) its walls, columns, and bearing arches supporting a construction for which a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> is required shall:
 - i) either have a fire-resistance rating of at least 45 min,
 - ii) or be of a noncombustible construction,
- d) its walls, columns, and bearing arches supporting a <u>fire separation</u> shall have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> at least equal to that required for the <u>fire separation</u>,
- e) the roof shall have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 45 min if it is not entirely <u>sprinklered</u>.";
- 31° in Article 3.2.2.44., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:

"3.2.2.44. Group C, up to 6 Storeys, Noncombustible Construction

- 1) A <u>building</u> classified as Group C may be built in compliance with Sentence (2) in each of the following cases:
- a) the <u>building</u> shall have a <u>building height</u> of no more than 6 <u>storeys</u> and shall meet the following conditions:
 - i) it is not a <u>residential board and care</u> facility,
- ii) it has a voice communication system including speakers installed as required under Clause 3.2.4.22.(1)(b), and a device for turning off the <u>alarm signal</u> which meets the requirements of Sentences 3.2.4.22.(2) and (4),
- iii) it has a balcony in each <u>suite</u>, as required under Sentence 3.3.1.7.(5),
- iv) it has a <u>building area</u> which does not exceed the value indicated in Table 3.2.2.44..
- b) the <u>building</u> has a <u>building height</u> of no more than 3 <u>storeys</u> and a <u>building area</u> which does not exceed the value indicated in Table 3.2.2.44.

Table 3.2.2.44.

Maximum Building Area, Group C, up to 6 Storeys
Forming Part of Sentences 3.2.2.44.(1) and (2)

		Maximum Area, n	n^2		
No. of Storeys	Facing 1 Street	Facing 2 Streets	Facing 3 Streets		
1	Not limited	Not limited	Not limited		
2	6 000	Not limited	Not limited		
3	4 000	5 000	6 000		
4	3 000	3 750	4 500		
5	2 400	3 000	3 600		
6	2 000	2 500	3 000		

"

32° by replacing Article 3.2.3.6. by the following:

"3.2.3.6. Combustible Projections

1) Except for <u>buildings</u> containing no more than 2 dwelling units, combustible projections located more

- than 1 m above ground level, including balconies, platforms, canopies, eaves, and stairs, which could spread fire to a neighbouring <u>building</u>, are not authorized within 1.2 m calculated horizontally from the property line or the centerline of a <u>public way</u>.";
- 33° in Article 3.2.3.19., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** An underground <u>walkway</u> shall not be designed or used for any purpose other than for pedestrian traffic, unless the following conditions are met:
 - a) the walkway is sprinklered,
- b) the <u>occupancies</u> are limited to the <u>major occupancies</u> of Groups D and E to a restaurant or a licensed beverage establishment,
- c) the <u>walkway</u> and spaces occupied by the <u>occupancies</u> mentioned in Clause (b) meet the requirements of this Code for <u>floor areas</u> and <u>occupancy</u> separation.";
- 34° in Article 3.2.4.1., by replacing Clause (d) of Sentence (2) by the following:
- "d) a total <u>occupant load</u> of more than 150, in the case of a Group A, Division 1 <u>building</u>, or more than 300 in the other cases, except in open-air areas designed for seated audiences,":
- 35° in Article 3.2.4.7., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** A single-stage system shall be designed to enable the fire department to be notified, as required under Sentence (4), when an <u>alarm signal</u> is activated:
- a) either in an <u>assembly occupancy</u> facility with an occupant load of more than 300.
- b) or in a <u>residential occupancy</u> facility of more than 3 <u>storeys</u> in <u>building height</u>.";
- 36° in Article 3.2.4.8., by inserting the word "stair" before the word "shaft" on the first line of Clause (c) of Sentence (2);
 - 37° in Article 3.2.4.10.:
- 1° by deleting the word "and" from the end of the line in Clause (e) of Sentence (2);
- 2° by adding the following Clauses after Clause (f) of Sentence (2):

- "g) non-public rooms of a <u>building</u> whose <u>major occupancy</u> is of Group A, Division 1, and
- "h) <u>suites</u> or rooms which are not included in a <u>suite</u> in a portion of a <u>building</u> whose <u>major occupancy</u> is of Group C, in a <u>building</u> of more than three <u>storeys</u> in <u>building</u> height.";
- 38° In Article 3.2.4.11., by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (1):
- "2) Any <u>smoke detector</u> installed in <u>residential board</u> and <u>care</u> shall be equipped with device able to cause an <u>alert signal</u> to sound locally and to have effect as an audible signal device, in case the <u>alarm signal</u> is actuated throughout the building.";
- 39° in Article 3.2.4.17., by deleting the words "in every <u>floor area</u>" on the first line of Clause (a) of Sentence (1):
- 40° in Article 3.2.4.19., by replacing Sentence (4) by the following:
- **"4)** The sound pressure level of a fire <u>alarm signal</u> shall not exceed 95 dBA measured at 3 m from each sound alarm.";
- 41° in Article 3.2.4.21., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** Smoke alarms complying with standard CAN/ULC-S531-M, "Smoke Alarms", shall be installed in each dwelling unit and in each sleeping room that is not part of a dwelling unit, except for those located:
- a) either in a <u>care or detention occupancy</u> facility in which a fire alarm system is required,
- b) or in a <u>residential board and care</u> facility in which each bedroom has a <u>smoke detector</u>.";
 - 42° in Article 3.2.5.9.:
- 1° by replacing number "6" by number "7" on the second line of Sentence (1);
 - 2° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (6):
- **"7)** The standpipe system mentioned in Sentence (1) shall be installed outside adjacent <u>exit</u> stair shafts such as scissor stairs; however, the columns must be installed near the shafts, in <u>service spaces</u> designed for this purpose and, except in a <u>building</u> that is <u>sprinklered</u> throughout, having a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> at least equal to that required for the shafts.";

- 43° in Article 3.2.5.13., by replacing Sentences (2) and (3) by the following:
- "2) Standard NFPA 13R, "Installation of Sprinkler Systems in Residential Occupancies up to and Including Four Stories in Height," may be applied instead of that mentioned in Sentence (1) for the design, construction, installation, and testing of a sprinkler system, if the system protects:
- a) either a <u>residential occupancy</u> facility of no more than 4 <u>storeys</u> in <u>building height</u> which meets the requirements of Articles 3.2.2.42., 3.2.2.43., 3.2.2.45. or 3.2.2.48.,
- b) or a <u>residential board and care</u> facility where no more than 16 people can sleep.
- "3) Standard NFPA 13D, "Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One-and Two-Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes," may be applied instead of that mentioned in Sentence (1) for the design, construction, installation, and testing of a sprinkler system, if the system protects:
- a) either a <u>residential occupancy</u> facility comprising no more than 2 <u>dwelling units</u>,
- b) or a <u>residential board and care</u> facility where the occupants live in a <u>building</u> comprising a single <u>dwelling unit</u> where no more than 10 people can sleep,
- c) or a <u>building</u> of no more than 2 <u>storeys</u> in <u>building</u> <u>height</u> and of no more than 2 <u>dwelling units</u> whose:
- i) the <u>residential board and care</u> facitily is located on the <u>first storey</u> where no more than 10 people can sleep,
- ii) the <u>basement</u>, where applicable, is designed only for the installation of the <u>building</u>'s mechanical maintenance equipment or occupant's storage rooms,
- iii) the sprinkler system is designed with a 30-min water supply.";
- 44° in Article 3.2.6.4., by replacing Sentence (3) by the following:
- "3) Each elevator car shall have a switch for the incar emergency system.";
 - 45° in Article 3.2.6.5.:
- 1° by replacing Clause (a) of Sentence (6) by the following:

- "a) either installed in <u>service spaces</u> which do not contain other <u>combustible</u> materials and which are isolated from the rest of the <u>building</u> by a <u>fire separation</u> of at least 1 h,";
- 2° by inserting the word "or" on the first line of Clause (b) of Sentence (6) before the word "protected";
 - 46° by replacing Article 3.2.6.9. by the following:

"3.2.6.9. Protection of Electrical Conductors

- 1) Any fire alarm system electrical conductor and any emergency equipment mentioned in Articles 3.2.6.2. to 3.2.6.8. shall be protected against fire, from the electrical power source to their connection to the system or equipment, as required under Sentence (3).
- 2) Any electrical conductor linking a fire alarm control station with a fire alarm system's control unit, these being located within separate <u>fire compartments</u>, must be protected against fire, as required under Sentence (3).
- 3) Any conductor mentioned in Sentences (1) and (2) shall:
- a) either be installed in a <u>service space</u> which does not comprise other <u>combustible</u> materials and which is isolated from the rest of the <u>building</u> by a <u>fire separation</u> of at least 1 h,
- b) or be protected from fire to ensure the system or equipment will operate for at least 1 h; however, this protection must be determined following tests which meet the requirements of CAN/ULC-S101-M, "Standard Methods of Fire Endurance Tests of Building Construction and Materials".";
 - 47° in Article 3.2.8.2.:
- 1° by inserting "stairways which is not a required <u>exit</u>" on the second line of Sentence (5), after the word "for":
- 2° by inserting "2 or" on the third ine of Clause (c) of Sentence (6), after the word "Division";
- 48° in Article 3.3.1.5., Sentence (1), by inserting "and for a gun range whose <u>occupant load</u> is less than 10" on the first line after the word "dwelling unit";
- $49^{\circ}\,$ in Article 3.3.1.11., by replacing Sentence (3) by the following:
- "3) Movable <u>partitions</u> used to separate a <u>public corridor</u> from an <u>assembly occupancy</u>, a <u>business and per-</u>

sonal services occupancy, a mercantile occupancy, or a low hazard industrial occupancy facility need not conform to Sentence (1) and Sentences 3.3.1.10.(1) and (2), provided the partitions are not located in the only means of egress (See Appendix A).";

- 50° in Article 3.3.1.12., by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- **"2)** A door in an <u>access to exit</u> shall be easily opened by people reaching the <u>exit</u> without requiring keys, special devices, or specialized knowledge of the opening mechanism; however, this requirement does not apply in each of the following cases:
- a) a door to a <u>contained use area</u> or <u>impeded egress</u> <u>zone</u>, provided the locking devices meet the requirements of Sentence (6),
- b) a door located in the corridor that serves patient's sleeping room of a facility comprising a residential and extended care centre, as defined in Article 83 of the Act respecting health services and social services (R.S.Q., c.S-4.2), when this door has an electromagnetic locking device installed as required under Sentence 3.4.6.15.(4).";
 - 51° by replacing Article 3.3.1.15. by the following:

"3.3.1.15. Curved or Spiral Stairs

- 1) Except as provided for under Sentence (2), any stairway which is not a required exit may be curved or spiral, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) each step has a tread of at least 150 mm, without exceeding an average of 200 mm,
 - b) the rise meets the requirements of Sentence 3.4.6.7.(2).
- 2) Any stairway not accessible to the public which is not a required exit and which is located within a dwelling unit or part of a floor area including an occupancy of Groups C, D, E, or F, Division 2 or 3, may be curved or spiral, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) it services no more than two consecutive floor levels and no more than 6 people,
- b) it has a free width of at least 860 mm when it is adjacent to the walls and 760 mm in all other cases,
- c) it includes in the curved or spiral part equal treads of at least 225 mm when measured 500 mm from the narrowest end of the step,
 - d) the risers are even and measure 125 to 200 mm,

- e) the rotation of the stairs between two <u>storeys</u> is in the same direction.":
- 52° In Article 3.3.2.5., by inserting the words "used by the public for a Group A, Division 2 <u>major occupancy</u> or for a corridor" after the word "corridor" in the second line of Sentence (4);
- 53° in Article 3.3.3.1., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** This Subsection applies to the <u>floor areas</u> or parts of <u>floor areas</u> designed for <u>care or detention occupancy</u> facilities other than a <u>residential board or care</u> facility built as required under Article 3.1.2.5. (See Appendix A).";
 - 54° by adding the following Article after Article 3.3.5.9.:

"3.3.5.10. Terrace-Roof for Heliports

- 1) A terrace-roof used for landing a helicopter shall comply with the provisions of Articles 2.13.1.1. to 2.13.2.2. of the NFC.";
 - 55° in Article 3.4.2.1.:
 - 1° by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- **"2)** Any <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> located more than 1 <u>storey</u> above or below the <u>first storey</u> may be serviced by a single <u>exit</u>, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) the <u>occupant load</u> for access to this <u>exit</u> is no more than 60.
- b) this <u>exit</u> leads directly outdoors independently of any other <u>exit</u>,
- c) if the <u>floor area</u> is not entirely <u>sprinklered</u>, this <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u>, as well as the travel distance shall not exceed the values indicated in Table 3.4.2.1.A.,
 - d) if the <u>floor area</u> is entirely <u>sprinklered</u>:
 - i) the travel distance shall not exceed 25 m.
- ii) this <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> shall not exceed the value indicated in Table 3.4.2.1.B.";
- 2° by deleting the words "from a <u>floor area</u> classified as Group B or Group C <u>occupancy</u>" in the second and third lines of Sentence (3);

- 56° in Article 3.4.4.4., by inserting the words "tele-communication wires and cables," after the words "electrical wires and cables," on the first line of Clause (b) of Sentence (1);
 - 57° in Article 3.4.6.15.:
- 1° by replacing Clauses (e) and (g) of Sentence (4) by the following:
 - "e) the locking mechanism can be released:
- i) either by a force of no more than 90 N applied to the door opening hardware which triggers an unlocking mechanism within 15 s and prevents relocking until the door is opened,
- ii) or, in the case of a <u>building</u> or part of a <u>building</u> used for a residential and extended care centre, by a manual pull station installed within 0.5 m from each door equipped with such a mechanism and on which is written the following notice in letters of at least 15 mm high with lines of at least 3 mm thick, of contrasting colour:

In case of fire emergency, this door can be opened by activating the manual pull station located on your (left or right, depending on its location),

- "g) the <u>exit</u> door equipped with the unlocking mechanism mentioned in Subclause 3.4.6.15.(4)(e)(i) has a permanent sign, in letters of at least 15 mm high with lines of at least 3 mm thick, of contrasting colour, which indicates that the locking mechanism is released within 15 s when pressure is applied to the door's opening device.":
 - 2° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (5):
- **"6)** The lock installed on the main entrance door of a <u>residential occupancy building</u> comprising more than one <u>suite</u> shall have a mechanism:
- a) that will ensure its automatic unlocking when an <u>alarm signal</u> is activated,
- b) designed for the door to remain unlocked as long as the <u>alarm signal</u> is heard in the <u>building</u>.";
- 58° in Article 3.5.1.1., by inserting the words ", window-cleaning systems" after the word "escalators" on the third line of Sentence (1);
- 59° by adding the following Subsection after Article 3.5.4.2.:

"3.5.5. Window-Cleaning Systems

"3.5.5.1. Reference Standards

- 1) Any window-cleaning system shall comply with the following standards:
- a) CAN/CSA-Z91-M, "Safety Code for Window Cleaning Operations",
- b) CAN3-Z271-M, "Safety Code for Suspended Powered Platforms".";
- 60° in Article 3.6.3.4., by replacing Clause (b) of Sentence (1) by the following:
- "b) <u>fire compartments</u> shall not have individual fans that exhaust directly into the <u>exhaust duct</u>, unless these fans have extensions which reach at least 500 mm upwards in the exhaust duct.";
- 61° in Article 3.6.4.3., by inserting the words ", telecommunication wires and cables" after the words "optical fibre cables" on the first line of Subclause (ii) of Clause (a) of Sentence (1);
 - 62° in Article 3.7.4.2.:
 - 1° by deleting Sentences (2) and (3);
 - 2° by replacing Sentence (4) by the following:
- "4) A single water closet for both sexes may be installed:
- a) if the <u>occupant load</u> of an <u>occupancy</u> mentioned in Sentences (6), (10), (12), (13), or (14) does not exceed 10,
- b) if the total area used for any art gallery or for any occupancy of Group E does not exceed 250 m²,
- c) if the <u>occupant load</u> in a facility where courses are given or in a restaurant does not exceed 25,
- d) if the number of children in a daycare centre does not exceed 15.";
 - 3° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (15):
- **"16)** Except as provided for under Section 3.8., the water closets required shall be located:
- a) no more that one <u>storey</u> above or below the <u>storey</u> on which are the people who require these sanitary appliances,

- b) at such a distance that any person will not need to walk more than 60 m to reach them in the case of a restaurant or beverage establishment.":
- 63° in Article 3.7.4.7., by adding the following Sentences after Sentence (1):
- **"2)** Any cemented or paved floor or part of floor below ground level shall have a floor drain in its lower part or shall drain towards such a floor drain.
- "3) Any paved garage adjacent or attached to a <u>building</u> shall be equipped with a sump or retaining pit used as a floor drain.";
 - 64° by replacing Article 3.7.5.1. by the following:

"3.7.5.1. Piping

- 1) A non-flammable medical gas piping system shall be installed in compliance with NQ 5710-500 "Gaz médicaux ininflammables Réseaux de distribution des établissements fournissant des services de santé ".";
 - 65° in Article 3.8.1.1.:
- 1° by replacing the part of Sentence (1) which precedes Clause (a) by the following:
- "1) This Section applies to any <u>building</u> or <u>walkway</u> connecting <u>barrier-free floor areas</u>, except:";
- 2° by replacing Clause (a) of Sentence (1) by the following:
- "a) houses, including semi-detached houses, duplexes, triplexes, town houses, row houses, boarding houses, and rooming houses of less than 10 bedrooms,";
- 3° by replacing the word "<u>buildings</u>" by the words "<u>industrial occupancy</u>" on the first line of Clause (c) of Sentence (1);
- 66° in Article 3.8.1.2., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- "1) In addition to the <u>barrier-free</u> entrances required under Sentence (2), at least 50 % of the pedestrian entrances, including the main entrance but except the service entrances, shall be barrier-free and lead:
 - a) either to the outdoors at the sidewalk level,
- b) or to a ramp leading to a sidewalk, as required under Article 3.8.3.4.";

- 67° in Article 3.8.1.3.
- 1° by replacing sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** Except as provided for under Subsection 3.8.3., any <u>barrier-free</u> shall:
 - a) have a unobstructed with of at least 920 mm,
- b) include an moving area of at least 1500 mm in diameter in front of each face of the door providing access to a suite described in Article 3.8.2.4.":
- 2° by inserting the words "except as permitted under Clause 3.8.3.3.(4)(b)," before the words "be provided with" on the first line of Clause (e) of Sentence (2);
- 68° in Article 3.8.1.4., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** In a <u>building</u> in which an escalator provides access to the <u>storeys</u> located above or below the entrance <u>storey</u>, the part of the <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel which leads to these <u>storeys</u> shall be located no more than 45 m from this escalator (See Appendix A).";
- 69° in Article 3.8.1.5., by replacing the words "not more than 1 400 mm" by the words "between 400 and 1 200 mm" on the last line of Sentence (1);
 - 70° in Article 3.8.2.1.:
- 1° by replacing Clause (k) of Sentence (2) by the following:
- "k) within a <u>suite</u> of <u>residential occupancy</u> not mentioned in Article 3.8.2.4.,";
- 2° by replacing "." by "," at the end of Clause (l) of Sentence (2);
- 3° by adding the following Clause after Clause (1) of Sentence (2):
- "m) for any part of <u>floor area</u> which is not normally used by the public, such as a rostrum, podium, or fore-stage.";
- 71° in Article 3.8.2.2., by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (2):
- **"3)** When a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel is required for a parking area of at least 25 spaces, at least 1 % of these spaces, with a minimum of 1 space, shall meet the following conditions:

- a) meet the requirements of Article 3.8.3.18.,
- b) be located, within the parking area, as close as possible to the <u>barrier-free</u> entrance of the <u>building</u> that is closest to the parking area.";
- 72° in Article 3.8.2.3., by replacing Sentences (2) and (4) by the following:
- **"2)** A washroom located in a <u>suite</u> need not meet the requirements of Sentence (1) in each of the following cases:
 - a) this <u>suite</u> is of <u>residential occupancy</u>,
- b) this <u>suite</u> has less than 250 m², and a public washroom, which must be <u>barrier-free</u>, is located no more than 45 m away in the same <u>floor area</u>,
- c) this <u>suite</u> includes at least one <u>barrier-free</u> washroom in the same floor area.
- **"4)** A special washroom meeting the requirements of Article 3.8.3.12. is authorized instead of the facilities listed in Articles 3.8.3.8. to 3.8.3.11.":
 - 73° by adding the following Article after Article 3.8.2.3.:

"3.8.2.4. Hotels and Motels

- 1) At least 10 % of the <u>suites</u> of a hotel or motel, without exceeding 20 <u>suites</u>, shall:
- a) have a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel extending to the inside of each room, and to the balcony where applicable.
- b) be spread evenly among the <u>storeys</u> having a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel.
- 2) Any <u>suite</u> having a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel, as required under Sentence (1), must have a bathroom which meets the following conditions:
- a) meet the requirements of Clauses 3.8.3.12.(1)(a) to (i),
- b) have an unobstructed area of at least 1 200 mm in diameter extending the full height of the room; however, a door may open on the inside if it does not reduce the unobstructed area,
- c) have a bath which meets the requirements of Article 3.8.3.17. or a shower which meets the requirements of Article 3.8.3.13.,

- d) have a towel pole located no higher than 1 200 mm above the floor so as to be easily accessible by a person in a wheelchair.
- 3) Any closet of such a <u>suite</u> must meet the following conditions:
- a) have in front of the door a moving area of at least 1 500 mm in diameter,
 - b) have a door which opens to its full width,
- c) have a pole located no more than 1.3 m above the floor.";
 - 74° in Article 3.8.3.3.:
- 1° by replacing the word "Every" by the words "Except as permitted under Sentence (2), every" on the first line of Sentence (1);
- 2° by replacing Sentences (2) and (4) by the following:
- **"2)** In each <u>suite</u> of <u>residential occupancy</u>, except the <u>suite</u> indicated in Article 3.8.2.4., each doorway to a room or balcony shall have an unobstructed width of at least 760 mm when the door is open.
- **"4)** Any threshold referred to in Sentences (1) and (2) shall be raised:
- a) except as permitted under Clause (b), no more than 13 mm above the finished floor and shall be bevelled.
- b) in the case of a threshold to a balcony, no more than 75 mm above the finished floor.":
- 3° by replacing number "500" by number "600" in Sentences (5) and (6);
- 4° by replacing the part of Sentence (10) which precedes Clause (a) by the following:
- **"10)** Each door within a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel, except those providing access to a room located in a <u>dwelling unit</u>, shall have, on the latch side, a clearance of at least:":
- 75° in Article 3.8.3.4., by replacing Clause (a) of Sentence (1) by the following:
- "a) have an unobstructed width of at least 870 mm between the two handrails but no more than 920 mm, when the ramp is at least 2 400 mm wide,";

76° by replacing Article 3.8.3.5. by the following:

"3.8.3.5. Elevators

- 1) Any elevator which must be <u>barrier-free</u> shall meet the following requirements:
- a) include speech synthesis announcing the <u>storeys</u> serviced.
- b) include brail characters corresponding with the relief characters,
- c) have at each landing audible signals indicating in which direction the elevator is going.
- 2) Any platform elevator for passengers referred to in Article 3.8.2.1. shall meet the following requirements:
- a) each landing door shall have an electrical opening mechanism when required under Sentence 3.8.3.3.(5),
- b) any control device shall be operable by hand pressure,
- c) any device travelling vertically shall have a platform of at least 800 mm by 1 500 mm.";
- 77° in Article 3.8.3.8., by replacing Subclause (iii) of Clause (b) of Sentence (1) by the following:
- "iii) swing outward, unless there is within the stall an unobstructed area of at least 1 200 mm in diameter (See Appendix A),";

78° In Article 3.8.3.11.:

- 1° by deleting Subclause (ii) of Clause (c) of Sentence (1);
- 2° by replacing number "205" by number "280" on the first line of Subclause (iii) of Clause (c) of Sentence (1);
- 79° by adding the following Articles after Article 3.8.3.16.:

"3.8.3.17. Baths

- 1) Any <u>barrier-free</u> bath shall:
- a) have on the floor an unobstructed area, adjacent to its full length, of at least 800 by 1 500 mm,
 - b) have an anti slip surface on the bottom,

- c) have an edge located between 400 and 460 mm above the floor,
 - d) be exempt of doors,
- e) have faucets that meet the requirements of Clause 3.8.3.13.(1)(g),
- f) have a telephone shower with the following devices:
- i) a diverter valve that can be operated with a closed fist by a seated person,
 - ii) a flexible hose at least 1 800 mm long,
- iii) a bracket enabling a seated person to use the telephone shower as a fixed shower,
- g) have a soap dish that meets the requirements of Clause 3.8.3.13.(1)(i),
- h) have two grab bars with a finish that prevents hands from slipping and which meet the following requirements:
 - i) they can resist a force of 1.3 kN,
- ii) they have a section whose diameter is between 30 and 40 mm,
 - iii) they measure at least 1 200 mm long,
- iv) they are installed with a clearance of 35 to 45 mm from the wall.
- v) one is installed horizontally between 180 and 280 mm above the edge of the bath and lengthways,
- vi) the other is installed vertically near the faucets, on the access side of the bath, in such a way that the lower end is between 180 and 280 mm above the edge of the bath.

"3.8.3.18. Parking Spaces

- 1) Each <u>barrier-free</u> parking space, as required under Sentence 3.8.2.2.(3), shall meet the following requirements:
 - a) be at least 2 400 mm wide,
- b) include a lateral traffic aisle of 1 500 mm, parallel to the full length of the space and outlined with contrasting markings; however, this aisle may be shared by 2 parking spaces,

- c) in the case of an interior parking area, have an unobstructed height of 2 300 mm.";
- 80° in Article 4.1.1.4., by deleting "(See Subsection 2.5.2. for other methods of design.)" on the last line of Sentence (1);
 - 81° by replacing Article 4.1.6.12. by the following:

"4.1.6.12. Heliports

- 1) A terrace-roof for landing helicopters must be built according to the provisions of the document entitled "Heliport and Helideck, Standards and Recommended Practices," third edition, TP2586E, published in April 1985 by Transport Canada Air, including its modifications.";
- 82° in Article 4.2.3.10., by deleting "(See Subsection 2.5.1. for use of other materials.)" at the end of Sentence (1);
- 83° in Article 4.2.8.1., by deleting "and Section 2.5." at the end of Sentence (1);
- 84° in Article 6.2.1.4., by substituting the words "à permettre" by the words "leur permettre de suivre" on the third line of Sentence (1) in the French version;
- 85° in Article 6.2.1.5., by replacing Clause (c) by the following in the French version:
- "c) CSA-B51-M, "Code des chaudières, appareils et tuyauteries sous pression", ";
 - 86° in Article 6.2.2.1.:
 - 1° by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- **"2)** Except in <u>storage garages</u> covered by Article 6.2.2.3., the mechanical ventilation systems supplying outdoor air to rooms and spaces in <u>buildings</u> shall:
- a) either have a rate at which the outdoor air is supplied not less than the rate required by ASHRAE Standard 62, "Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality",
- b) or be installed in conformance with one of the methods provided in this standard.";
 - 2° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (3):
- **"4)** For the installation of ventilation with a capacity of more than 6 000L/s, the installer must comply with the following:

- a) verify and test the installation to ensure that the difference between the measured air flow and the rate prescribed by the <u>designer</u> is not more than 10 %,
- b) produce a report identifying the measured air flow and the corresponding air flow for each grill, diffuser, outdoor air intake, used air outlet, and fan indicated in the plans, and give it to the owner.";
- 87° in Article 6.2.2.6., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following Sentences:
- "1) Any open-air cooking surface with a total maximum capacity of 8 kW for an electric cooking appliance, or 14 kW for a gas appliance, must have a hood connected to an air exhaust system.
- **"2)** Except as provided for under Sentence 3.6.3.1.(1) and Article 3.6.4.2., the design, construction, and installation of a ventilation system for any cooking equipment, except for a microwave oven, food warmer, or toaster, must meet the requirements of NFPA-96 "Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations," when the cooking equipment is:
- a) either classified, according to its applicable manufacturing standard, as a residential type with an open-air cooking surface having a cumulative capacity of more than 8 kW for an electric appliance, and more than 14 kW for a gas appliance,
- b) or classified, according to its applicable manufacturing standard, as a type other than residential.";
- 88° in Article 6.2.3.16., by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- "2) Any fan or complementary air processing material, such as an air washer, filter, and heating or cooling element, must meet the following requirements:
- a) be designed for exterior <u>occupancy</u>, if installed on the roof or outside the <u>building</u>;
- b) bear a contrasting and easily accessible rating plate providing the equipment's data.";
- 89° in Article 6.2.6.1., by replacing the words "construction, installation and <u>alteration</u>" by the words "construction and installation" on the first and second lines of Sentence (1);
 - 90° by deleting Article 6.3.1.4.;
 - 91° by deleting Article 7.1.1.2.;

- 92° by deleting Articles 8.2.2.6. and 8.2.2.8.;
- 93° in Article 8.2.2.11., by inserting the words "to provincial or territorial regulations, or in their absence," after the word "conform" on the second line of Sentence (1);
- 94° by deleting Articles 8.2.2.12., 8.2.2.15., 8.2.3.8., 8.2.3.10., and 8.2.3.12. to 8.2.3.14.;
 - 95° in Article 8.2.5.1., by deleting Sentence (2);
 - 96° by deleting Articles 8.2.5.3. to 8.2.5.5.;
 - 97° by deleting Subsections 8.2.6. and 8.2.7.;
- 98° in Article 9.6.4.1., by replacing Sentences (1) and (2) by the following:
- **"1)** The door of a <u>building</u> shall meet the requirements of Sentence (2) if the still inside of this <u>building</u> is more than 600 mm above another floor, a landing, a step or the ground on the other side of this door.
 - **"2)** The door described in Sentence (1) shall:
- a) either be jammed, with a maximum opening of 100 mm,
- b) or be protected by a guard which meets the requirements of Section 9.8.";
- 99° in Article 9.7.1.6., by replacing Sentences (1) and (2) by the following:
- **"1)** Except as provided for in Sentence (2), any opening window of a <u>building</u> of <u>residential occupancy</u> must be protected by:
- a) either a guard which meets the requirements of Section 9.8.,
- b) or a mechanism for jamming the swinging or sliding part of the window and vertically or horizontally limiting its opening to no more than 100 mm.
- "2) The protection required under Sentence (1) does not apply in the following cases:
- a) the window sill is at least 450 mm above the finished floor on the inside of the room,
- b) the floor level under this window is no more than 600 mm above another floor or the ground level on the other side of this window.";

 100° by replacing Articles 9.8.5.1. to 9.8.5.3. by the following:

"9.8.5.1. Curved Stairs in Exits

- 1) Except as provided for under Sentence (2), curved stairs in <u>exits</u> shall meet the requirements of Sentence 3.4.6.8.(2).
- 2) Exterior curved or spiral stairs may be installed as a <u>dwelling unit</u> <u>exit</u> provided the following conditions are met:
- a) they are not the only <u>means of egress</u> of this <u>dwelling unit</u>,
- b) they service no more than two <u>dwelling units</u> per <u>storey</u>,
- c) their unobstructed width is between 760 mm and 860 mm,
- d) they have equal treads of at least 225 mm, when measured 500 mm from the narrowest end,
- e) the rotation of the stairs between two <u>storeys</u> is in the same direction.

"9.8.5.2. Winders

- 1) Except as provided to under Article 9.8.5.3., interior stairs of a <u>dwelling unit</u> may have winders converging to a centre point, provided the following conditions are met:
 - a) each step forms a 30° angle (See Appendix A),
 - b) the steps turn at a maximum angle of 90°.
- 2) A single set of winders described in Sentence (1) is authorized between two floor levels.

"9.8.5.3. Curved Stairs not in Exits

- 1) Stairs which are not accessible to the public, which are not a required exit, and which are located inside a dwelling unit or part of a floor area of a Group C, D, E, or F, Division 2 or 3 occupancy may be curved or spiral, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) they service no more than two consecutive floor levels and no more than 6 people,
- b) they have an unobstructed width of at least 860 mm when it is adjacent of the walls at least 760 mm for the other case.

- c) they have equal treads of at least 225 mm, when measured 500 mm from the narrowest end.
- d) the rotation of the stairs between two <u>storeys</u> is in the same direction.";

101° in Article 9.8.8.1.:

- 1° by replacing Clause (b) of Sentence (3) by the following:
- "b) except as provided for in Sentence (4), protected by guards.";
 - 2° by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (3):
- **"4)** The requirements for a <u>guard</u> do not apply to any interior stairs of a <u>dwelling unit</u> which services a <u>basement</u>, designed solely for the installation of the mechanical or maintenance equipment of the <u>building</u>, if each open side of the stairs has a handrail.";

102° in Article 9.9.4.2.:

- 1° by deleting the word "adjacent" on the third line of Sentence (1);
- 2° by inserting the word "adjacent" after the word "exit" on the fourth line of Sentence (1);
- 103° in Article 9.9.8.2., by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:
- **"2)** Except as provided for in Subsection 9.9.9., any <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> located no more than 1 <u>storey</u> above or below the <u>first storey</u> may be serviced by a single <u>exit</u>, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) the <u>occupant load</u> for access to this <u>exit</u> is no more than 60,
- b) the $\underline{\text{exit}}$ leads directly outdoors independently of any other $\underline{\text{exit}}$,
- c) the <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u>, and the path of travel do not exceed the values indicated in Table 9.9.7.3.";
- 104° in Article 9.9.8.5., by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (4):
- "5) When exit stairs lead to a lobby, they shall be isolated from the lobby by a <u>fire separation</u> which meets the requirements of Sentence 9.9.4.2.(1).";
 - 105° by deleting Article 9.10.2.2.;

- 106° in Article 9.10.9.6., by replacing Sentences (4) and (9) by the followings:
- **"4)** Electrical wires and cables, telecommunication wires and cables, and fibre-optic cables, single or grouped, whose overall diameters do not exceed 30 mm, which have <u>combustible</u> insulation or jacketing, and which are not protected by totally enclosed raceways of <u>noncombustible</u> material, may partly or wholly penetrate an assembly requiring a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> without having been incorporated at the time of testing, as required under Sentence (2).
- **"9)** Combustible piping for central vacuum systems or bathroom exhaust ducts of no more than 100 mm in diameter may penetrate a <u>fire separation</u>, provided the installation meets the applicable requirements of Sentences 9.10.9.7.(2) to (6) for exhaust and ventilation combustible piping.";

 107° in Article 9.10.9.18., by replacing Sentence (2) by the following:

- "2) The <u>fire-resistant compartments</u> referred to in Sentence (1) shall not have individual fans which exhaust air directly into the <u>exhaust duct</u>, unless these fans have extensions that reach upwards at least 500 mm in the exhaust duct located in the <u>yertical service space</u>.";
- 108° in Article 9.10.16.10., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** Except as provided for in Sentence (2), when a wall or ceiling of <u>combustible construction</u> contains foamed plastic insulation, this insulation must meet the following requirements:
- a) be protected from adjacent spaces other than concealed spaces in roofs by one of the following coverings:
- i) an interior finish, as described in Subsections 9.29.4.
 to 9.29.9.,
- ii) sheet metal mechanically fastened to the supporting assembly, independently of the insulation, and having a thickness of at least 0.38 mm and a melting point of at least 650°C, provided the <u>building</u> does not contain a Group C <u>major occupancy</u>,
- iii) a thermal barrier that meets the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.11.(2)(e),
- b) be separated from any protection required under Clause (a) by no more than 75 mm.";

109° in Article 9.10.21.1., by inserting the words "with provincial or territorial regulations, or in their absence," after the word "accordance" on the second line of Sentence (1);

110° in Article 9.13.1.3.:

- 1° by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** Except as provided for in Sentence (2), any part of a <u>building</u> in contact with the ground shall be protected against underground gas infiltration when it is demonstrated that such an infiltration represents a danger to the salubrity and security of the <u>building</u>.";
 - 2° by deleting Clause (b) of Sentence (2);
- 111° in Article 9.13.8.2., by replacing the word "owner" by the word "contractor" on the third line of Sentence (8):

112° in Article 9.14.5.2.:

- 1° by replacing number "750" by number "450" in Clause (a) of Sentence (1);
 - 2° by deleting Sentence (2);
- 113° in Article 9.14.6.3., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** When a window well is drained to the <u>foundation</u> footing of a <u>building</u>, the drain shall be connected to the <u>foundation</u> drainage system.";
 - 114° in Article 9.25.2.2., by deleting Sentence (4);
 - 115° in Article 9.31.1.1., by deleting Sentence (2);
 - 116° by deleting Article 9.31.2.1.;

117° in Article 9.31.6.3.:

- 1° by replacing Clause (c) of Sentence (2) by the following in the French version:
- "c) CSA-B51-M, "Code des chaudières, appareils et tuyauteries sous pression,"";
- 2° by inserting the words "storage and fuel-burning" before the words "service water heaters" on the second line of Sentence (3);

- 118° in Article 9.32.1.1., by adding the following Sentence after Sentence (3):
- **"4)** The ventilation of any room or space not located in a <u>residential occupancy</u> <u>building</u> shall meet the requirements of Part 6.":
- 119° in Article 9.32.2.1., by replacing the word "habitable" by the words "<u>residential occupancy</u>" on the first line of Sentence (2);
- 120° in article 9.33.5.2., by replacing Clause (c) of Sentence (1) by the following in the French version:
- "c) CSA-B51-M, "Code des chaudières, appareils et tuyauteries sous pression",":

121° in Article 9.34.1.5.:

- 1° by inserting the words ", telecommunication wires and cables, and fibre-optic cables" after the words "electrical wiring and cables" on the second line of Sentence (1);
- 2° by inserting the words ", telecommunication wires and cables, and fibre-optic cables" after the words "electrical wiring and cables" on the third line of Sentence (2);
- 122° in Article 9.35.2.2., by replacing Sentence (1) by the following:
- **"1)** The floor of a garage which is attached to or integrated with a <u>dwelling unit</u> shall drain into a sump pit serving as a floor drain.";
 - 123° by adding the following Part after Part 9:

"PART 10

"Existing Buildings Under Alteration, Maintenance, or Repair

"Section 10.1. Purpose and Definitions

"10.1.1. General

"10.1.1.1. Purpose

1) The purpose of this Part is described in Section 2.1.

"10.1.1.2. Defined Terms

1) The terms in italics are defined in Part 1.

"Section 10.2. Application Conditions

"10.2.1. Calculation of Building Height

"10.2.1.1. Determination of the First Storey

- 1) For the purpose of this Part, the reference level for determining the <u>first storey</u>, used to establish the <u>building height</u>, or to determine if a <u>building</u> is a high <u>building</u>, shall be:
 - a) either the grade,
- b) the average finished ground level differences around the <u>building</u>, excluding entrances,
- c) or the level of the ground adjacent to the existing main entrance for any <u>building</u> constructed before December 1, 1977, unless an <u>alteration</u> modifies more than 50 % of the <u>floor areas</u> of a <u>building</u> and its structural elements when rebuilding.

"10.2.2. Provisions for Maintenance, Repair, or Alteration Work

"10.2.2.1. Maintenance or Repair Work

1) Any maintenance or repair work performed on a <u>building</u>, part of a <u>building</u>, and an element thereof, as well as on any device, equipment, system, or installation covered under this Code, must be performed so as to maintain or restore it without modifying its characteristics or functions.

"10.2.2.2. Alterations

- 1) The Code applies:
- a) except as provided for in Sentence (2) and the provisions of this Part, to any <u>alteration</u> of a <u>building</u> or part of a <u>building</u>, including the design and any construction work (foundation, erection, renovation, modification, or demolition work) performed for this purpose,
- b) in the cases referred to in this Part, to any element, device, system, installation, equipment, or non-modified part of a <u>building</u> or part of a <u>building</u>.
- 2) The Code does not apply to a change in <u>occupancy</u> for which there is no modification work, unless such a change involves:
- a) either an increase in the <u>occupant load</u>, as determined under Subsection 3.1.16.,

- b) an <u>occupancy</u> of Group A, B, C, E, or F, Division 1 or 2,
- c) or that a <u>building</u> becomes a high <u>building</u>, as determined under Subsection 3.2.6.

"Section 10.3. Fire Protection, Safety, and Accessibility

"10.3.1. General

"10.3.1.1. Separation of Major Occupancies

1) For an addition or a change of <u>occupancy</u>, between adjacent <u>major occupancies</u>, the <u>fire separation</u> between these <u>occupancies</u> shall have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> evaluated according to Subsection 3.1.7. and shall meet the requirements of Table 3.1.3.1.; however, the <u>fire-resistance rating</u> on the non-altered side may be less than the required <u>fire-resistance rating</u>, but shall not be less than 45 min.

"10.3.1.2. Combustible and Noncombustible Construction

1) The provisions of Sections 3.1.4. and 3.1.5. for the protection of foamed plastic insulation apply to the non-modified elements of a <u>building</u> or part of a <u>building</u> under <u>alteration</u>, as well as to the non-modified elements of any means of egress servicing it.

"10.3.1.3. Interior Finish Material

- 1) The provisions of Subsection 3.1.13. for <u>flame spread rating</u> apply to the non-modified interior finish material of ceilings and to the upper half of the walls of any <u>access to exit</u> corridor, from the <u>access to exit</u> door servicing part of a <u>building</u> under <u>alteration</u> to the nearest <u>exit</u>, when the following conditions exist:
 - a) the flame spread rating exceeds 75,
- b) the <u>alteration involves an increase</u> in <u>occupant</u> load, as determined under Subsection 3.1.16.

"10.3.2. Fire Safety in Buildings

"10.3.2.1. Non combustibility of Buildings

1) Except as provided for in Sentence (2), the provision of the Code requiring a <u>noncombustible construction</u> apply to the non-modified <u>combustible</u> element of a <u>building</u> a part of <u>building</u> for which a <u>noncombustible construction</u> is required, in the <u>building</u> or the part of <u>building</u> that is altered, when the <u>floor area</u>, where is the

part altered, and the <u>storeys</u> located below does not have a sprinkler system that meets the requirements of Articles 3.2.5.13. to 3.2.5.15., or this <u>building</u> does not have a fire detection and alarm system that meets the requirements of Subsection 3.2.4.

- 2) The provision of the Code requiring a <u>noncombustible construction</u> apply to the non-modified <u>combustible</u> element of a <u>building</u> for which a <u>noncombustible construction</u> is required:
- a) for an increase in <u>floor area</u> of more than 10 % of the <u>building area</u> or 150 m², when the <u>floor area</u> altered and the <u>storeys</u> located below does not have a sprinkler system that meets the requirements of Articles 3.2.5.13. to 4.2.5.15., or the <u>building</u> does not have a fire detection and alarm system that meets the requirements of Subsection 3.2.4..
- b) for an increase in hight, when the <u>building</u> does not have a sprinkler system that meets the requirements of Articles 3.2.5.13. to 3.2.5.15., or does not have a fire detection and alarm system that meets the requirements of Subsection 3.2.4.
- 3) When the Code requires both a <u>noncombustible construction</u> and a sprinkler system, the design and installation of this system shall meet the requirements of Chapters 4 and 5 of standard NFPA-13 "Installation of Sprinkler Systems," for a level of risk higher than the established in that standard for the appropriate <u>occupancy</u>.

"10.3.2.2. Construction and Protection of Buildings

- 1) Except as provided for in Sentence (2), when an <u>alteration</u> increases the requirements of the Code for the existing <u>occupancy</u>, Subsection 3.2.2. covering <u>building</u> construction and dimensions based on <u>occupancies</u> applies to:
- a) any non-modified part of a <u>floor area</u> that is not isolated from the modified part of that area by a <u>fire separation</u> of at least 2 h,
- b) the non-<u>sprinklered floor area</u> located immediately below the <u>floor area</u> under <u>alteration</u>.
- 2) The provisions of Subsection 3.2.2. for the installation of a sprinkler system do not apply to the <u>alteration</u> of any <u>building</u> or part of <u>building</u> that does not have a sprinkler system when:
- a) such a system is not required under this Subsection for a <u>building</u> whose <u>building height</u> is equal to the highest <u>storey</u> under <u>alteration</u>, and in the case of a

- <u>combustible building</u>, the <u>occupant load</u>, as determined under Subsection 3.1.16. for the proposed <u>occupancy</u> for such an alteration, does not exceed 60.
- b) the increase in <u>floor area</u>, for an <u>alteration</u>, does not exceed 10 % of the <u>building area</u> or 150 m² when the floor area altered and the storeys located below does not have a sprinkler system that meets the requirements of Articles 3.2.5.13. to 3.2.5.15., or the building does not have a fire detection.

"10.3.2.3. Spatial Separation and Exposure Protection

- 1) The provisions of Subsection 3.2.3. for spatial separation and exposure protection do not apply, for an <u>alteration</u>, to the modification of any existing part of an <u>exposing building face</u>, unless it results in:
- a) either an increase in the surface of the openings beyond the limit mentioned in Sentence 3.2.3.1.(1), for unprotected openings,
 - b) a reduction in the <u>limiting distance</u>,
 - c) or a reduction in its resistance to fire.
- 2) When a <u>building</u> or part of a <u>building</u> is under <u>alteration</u>, any <u>party wall</u> which is not built as a <u>firewall</u> shall:
- a) except as provided for under Clause (b), have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 2 h on the altered side and ensure smoke-tightness from the floor of the altered part to the underface of the floor or roof located above this alteration.
- b) for an increase in height, meet the requirements of Subsection 3.1.10. for the construction of a <u>firewall</u> from the ground up.

"10.3.2.4. Fire Alarm and Detection Systems

- 1) Subsection 3.2.4. covering fire alarm and detection systems for an <u>alteration</u>:
- a) does not apply to any <u>building</u> which does not have such a system, unless the <u>alteration</u> involves:
- i) either an increase in the <u>occupant load</u>, in the altered part, which exceeds that stated in Sentence 3.2.4.1.(2),
- ii) a new <u>occupancy</u> of Group A, B, C, E, or F, Division 1 or 2,
- iii) an increase in the <u>building area</u> of more than 10 % or 150 m^2 .

- iv) or an increase in the number of storeys,
- b) does not apply to a voice communication system, except in the case of an increase in the number of storeys,
- c) applies, in the cases covered under Subclauses (i) to (iv) of Clause (a), to any non-modified part of a fire alarm and detection system, if this system is not under electric monitoring and equipped with separate zone indicators.

"10.3.2.5. Provisions for Fire Fighting

- 1) The provisions of Articles 3.2.5.7. to 3.2.5.19. apply to the non-modified part of a sprinkler system or fire piping system when an <u>alteration</u> to a <u>building</u> or part of <u>building</u> results in an increase of the <u>building height</u> or of the <u>building area</u> by more than 10 %, or by more than 150 m² the total area of the overall <u>floor areas</u>, and if this system does not meet one of the following conditions:
 - a) has a fire department connection,
- b) is of the wet-pipe type in the heated parts of the building,
- c) except as provided for in Sentence (3), has an approved booster pump capable of providing the pressure required under standard NFPA-13 "Installation of Sprinkler Systems" or standard NFPA-14 "Installation of Standpipe and Hose Systems" when the water pressure in this system is lower than this pressure.
- 2) The residual water pressure at the highest output end of any fire piping system of a <u>building</u> referred to in Sentence (2) may be lower than the pressure required under standard NFPA-14 "Installation of Standpipe and Hose Systems," but no lower than 207 kPa when the requirement referred to in Clause 3.2.5.9.)(5)(c) is met.

"10.3.2.6. Additional Requirements for High Buildings

- 1) Except as provided for in Sentence (2), Subsection 3.2.6. covering the additional requirements for high <u>buildings</u> applies to the overall <u>building</u> which:
- a) becomes a high <u>building</u> following an <u>alteration</u> resulting:
 - i) either in a change of occupancy,
- ii) or in an increase in <u>building height</u>, except if the increase is of no more than 4 m and that its <u>floor area</u> is

- no more than 10 % of that of the storey located immediately below, without exceeding 150 m²,
- b) is a high <u>building</u> and is undergoing an <u>alteration</u> resulting:
 - i) either in a change of occupancy to Group B or C,
 - ii) in an increase in building height,
- iii) or in a modification of more than 50 % of its <u>floor</u> areas and of its structural elements for a reconstruction.
- 2) Sentence 3.2.6.5.(2) does not apply to an elevator modified to become an elevator for fire-fighters.

"10.3.2.7. Emergency Power Supply for Fire Fighting

1) The provision covering emergency power supply for water supply, referred to in Clause 3.2.7.9.(1)(b), applies to an existing fire pump if an <u>alteration</u> results in an increase of the building height.

"10.3.3. Safety Within Floor Areas

"10.3.3.1. Access to Exit

- 1) The provisions of Section 3.3. regarding <u>access to exit</u> apply to any non-modified <u>access to exit</u> servicing part of a <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> in each of the following cases:
 - a) the unobstructed height is less than 1900 mm,
- b) in the case of a corridor referred to in Sentence 3.3.1.9.(2), the unobstructed width is less than 760 mm.
 - c) the length of dead-end corridors exceeds:
- i) except as provided for in Sentences (2) and (3), 6 m for any <u>residential occupancy</u>,
- ii) 12 m for any occupancy of Group A, D, E and F, Division 2 and 3,
- d) the separation of the corridors from the rest of the <u>building</u> is not smoke-tight.
- 2) A <u>public corridor</u> referred to in Subclause (1)(c)(i), which is located in a <u>residential occupancy building</u> other than a hotel or motel, may, when the <u>fire separation</u> of this corridor has a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 45 min, have a dead-end part not exceeding 12 m, provided the following conditions are met:

- a) the doors of the <u>dwelling units</u> have a automatic closing device and do not lock automatically,
- b) the corridor has <u>smoke detectors</u> connected to the fire alarm system installed as required under Subsection 3.2.4.,
- c) the <u>floor area</u> is entirely <u>sprinklered</u>, as required under Articles 3.2.5.13. to 3.2.5.15., except if the <u>building</u> has a <u>building height</u> of no more than 4 <u>storeys</u> and each <u>dwelling unit</u> has a balcony accessible to the Fire department.
- 3) A <u>public corridor</u> referred to in Subclause (1)(c)(i), which is located in a <u>residential occupancy building</u> other than a hotel or motel, may, when the <u>fire separation</u> of this corridor has a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 1 h, have a dead-end part not exceeding 15 m, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) the doors of the <u>dwelling units</u> have an self closing device and do not lock automatically,
- b) the corridor has <u>smoke detectors</u> connected to the fire alarm system installed as required under Subsection 3.2.4..
- c) the <u>floor area</u> is entirely <u>sprinklered</u>, as required under Articles 3.2.5.13. to 3.2.5.15., except if the <u>building</u> has a <u>building height</u> of no more than 6 <u>storeys</u> and each <u>dwelling unit</u> has a balcony accessible to the Fire department.

"10.3.3.2. Separation of Suites

1) In the case of an <u>alteration</u> of a <u>suite</u>, the <u>fire separation</u> isolating this <u>suite</u> from any other non-altered room shall have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> evaluated according to Subsection 3.1.7. and meeting the requirements of Article 3.3.1.1.; however, the <u>fire-resistance rating</u>, on the non-altered side, may be less than the required <u>fire-resistance rating</u> but shall not be less than 45 min.

"10.3.3.3. Barrier-Free Floor Areas

1) When a <u>floor area</u> undergoing an <u>alteration</u> must be <u>barrier-free</u> as required under Article 10.3.8.1., any non-altered part of <u>floor area</u> on this <u>storey</u> shall also meet the requirements of Article 3.3.1.7. if it is accessible by elevator.

"10.3.4. Exit Requirements

"10.3.4.1. Dimensions and Protection of Exits and Exit Stairs

- 1) Any non-modified <u>exit</u> required for servicing a <u>floor area</u> or part of a <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> shall meet the following requirements:
 - a) have an unobstructed width of at least 760 mm,
- b) be separated from the rest of the <u>building</u> by a <u>fire</u> <u>separation</u> having a <u>fire-resistance</u> rating of at least 45 min for a <u>building</u> of no more than 3 <u>storeys</u> in <u>building</u> height, and of at least 1 h for the other <u>buildings</u>.

"10.3.4.2. Direction of Door Swing

- 1) Article 3.4.6.11., covering the direction of an <u>exit</u> door swing, applies to any non-modified exterior <u>exit</u> door servicing a <u>floor area</u> or part of a <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u>, unless it opens directly on a <u>public way</u>, independently of any other <u>exit</u>, and it services only one <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> whose <u>occupant load</u> is determined as required under Subsection 3.1.16. and which is less than:
 - a) 40, when there is only one exit door, or
- b) 60, when there is one exit door and a second means of egress.

"10.3.5. Vertical Transportation

"10.3.5.1. Exclusion

1) Article 3.5.4.1., covering the inside dimensions of elevator cars, does not apply to any installation under modification.

"10.3.6. Service Facilities

"10.3.6.1. Service Rooms and Vertical Service Spaces

1) Subsections 3.6.2. and 3.6.3. apply to any non-modified <u>service room</u> located on a <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> and to any non-modified <u>vertical service space</u> crossing it if this room or space is not isolated from the rest of the <u>building</u> by a <u>fire separation</u> of at least:

- a) 2 h for any room containing combustion <u>appliances</u>, located in a <u>building</u> of Group B or F, Division 1, of more than 2 <u>storeys</u> in <u>building height</u> or having a <u>building area</u> of more than 400 m², or
- b) 1 h for any other <u>service room</u> or <u>vertical service</u> <u>space</u>.

10.3.7. Salubrity Requirements

"10.3.7.1. Sanitary Equipment

1) Any non-modified sanitary equipment servicing part of a <u>building</u> under <u>alteration</u> shall meet the requirements of Subsection 3.7.4. when the <u>alteration</u> involves an increase in occupant load of more than 25.

"10.3.8. Barrier-Free Design

"10.3.8.1. General

- 1) Section 3.8, covering <u>barrier-free</u> design, does not apply to a <u>building</u> or part of <u>building</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> when the <u>building</u> does not have <u>barrier-free</u> access, in each of the following cases:
 - a) the work involves:
- i) either a service facility other than a vertical transportation facility for which a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel is required under Article 10.3.8.2.,
- ii) or a <u>floor area</u> or <u>suite</u> occupied by no more than 60 people or whose area does not exceed 250 m²,
 - b) the <u>floor area</u> serviced by a pedestrian entrance:
- i) either cannot be accessed, from the <u>public way</u>, by an external ramp built according to the provisions of Article 10.3.8.4. without encroaching on this way,
- ii) is located more than 900 mm from the <u>public way</u> level,
- iii) or is located more than 600 mm from this entrance's level,
- c) the difference between the floor of the pedestrian entrance and the floor of the elevator is more than 600 mm when the part of <u>floor area</u> under <u>alteration</u> can be accessed by an elevator.

"10.3.8.2. Areas Requiring Barrier-Free Paths of Travel

1) When the application of Section 3.8. is not excluded under Sentence 10.3.8.1.(1), Sentence 3.8.2.1.(1)

applies, in the part of the <u>building</u> which is not under <u>alteration</u>, to the path of travel required to connect:

- a) at least one pedestrian entrance to:
- i) the <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> and to at least one existing elevator servicing it where applicable,
 - ii) an outdoor parking facility servicing this building,
- b) the <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> to at least one accessible washroom, when there is no other accessible washroom in the altered part.

"10.3.8.3. Washroom

1) In the case referred to in Clause 10.3.8.2.(1)(b), when a washroom located in the non-altered part of the <u>floor area</u> must be made accessible, it shall meet the requirements of Article 3.8.2.3.

"10.3.8.4. Ramps

- 1) Any ramp in a <u>barrier-free</u> path of travel referred to in Article 10.3.8.2. may, notwithstanding the requirement of Article 3.8.3.4., have a slope that does not exceed:
 - a) 1:8 when the length of the ramp is not more than 3 m,
 - b) 1:10 in the other cases.

"Section 10.4. Structural Design

"10.4.1. Structural Loads and Procedures

"10.4.1.1. General

1) Except as provided for under Article 10.4.1.2., the provisions of Part 4, covering structural design, apply to any <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u>, structural element, roof and <u>foundation</u> of a <u>building</u> which is not under modification when an <u>alteration</u> requires their modification to maintain their stability, resistance or structural integrity.

"10.4.1.2. Live Loads

- 1) The <u>live load</u> required under Article 4.1.6.3. does not apply for an <u>alteration</u> to a <u>floor area</u> used as an office and located on the <u>first storey</u> of a <u>building</u>, nor to such a <u>floor area</u> used for a wholesale and retail business, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) the <u>live loads</u> applied to the existing areas have a value of at least 2.4 kPa,

b) the <u>alteration</u> of these areas does not result in an increase of their live loads or dead loads.

"10.4.1.3. Live Loads Due to Earthquakes

- 1) Subsection 4.1.9., covering <u>live loads</u> due to earthquakes, does not apply to a <u>building</u> which is under alteration when:
 - a) this alteration does not result:
 - i) in an increase in building height,
- ii) in the modification of any structural wind-bracing element which ensures lateral stability.
- b) the <u>building</u>, following this <u>alteration</u>, can resist a <u>live load</u> due to seismic forces at least equal to 60 % of that determined using the method referred to in this Subsection.

"Section 10.5. Environmental Separation

"10.5.1. Exclusion

"10.5.1.1. Change of Occupancy

1) Notwithstanding Sentence 10.2.2.2.(2), Part 5, covering environmental separation, does not apply to materials, components, construction assemblies, and <u>air barrier systems</u> for any change in <u>occupancy</u> which does not involve modification work affecting the separation between the two different environments.

"Section 10.6. Heating, Ventilating, and Air-Conditioning

"10.6.1. General

"10.6.1.1. Natural Ventilation

1) Articles 6.2.2.1. and 6.2.2.2., covering natural ventilation, do not apply to rooms and spaces which are under <u>alteration</u> if they have windows that can open and whose unobstructed surface for ventilation is equal to at least 5 % of the floor area of the rooms or spaces.

"Section 10.7. Plumbing Services

"10.7.1. General

"10.7.1.1. Plumbing Systems

1) Part 7, covering plumbing services, applies to any non-modified <u>plumbing system</u> if an <u>alteration</u> requires its modification to ensure its salubrity or functioning.

"Section 10.8. Safety Measures at Construction and Demolition Sites

"10.8.1. General

"10.8.1.1. Scope

1) Part 8, covering safety measures at construction and demolition sites, applies to an existing part of <u>building</u> when the <u>alteration</u> or demolition work requires its modification, or the modification of the operation of the appliances or equipment it contains, in order to ensure public safety.

"Section 10.9. Housing and Small Buildings

"10.9.1. Structural Requirements and Barrier-Free Design

"10.9.1.1. Scope

- 1) Subsection 9.4.1., covering the structural requirements for structural elements and their connections, applies only in the cases referred to in Subsection 10.4.1.
- 2) Subsection 9.5.2., covering <u>barrier-free</u> design, applies only in the cases referred to in Subsection 10.3.8.

"10.9.2. Means of Egress

"10.9.2.1. Dimensions of Means of Egress and Direction of Door Swing

- 1) The provisions of Article 9.9.1.1., covering the dimensions of stairs which are part of a <u>means of egress</u>, and of Subsection 9.9.3., covering the dimensions of <u>means of egress</u>, apply to any non-modified <u>means of egress</u> which services a part of <u>building under alteration</u>, if the <u>exit</u> or <u>access to exit</u> has a minimal unobstructed width of less than 760 mm.
- 2) Sentence 9.9.6.5.(3), covering the direction of door swing of an exit, applies to any non-modified exterior exit door which services a <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u>, unless it opens directly on a <u>public way</u>, independently of any other <u>exit</u>, and it services only one <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> which has an <u>occupant load</u>, as determined under Subsection 3.1.16., which is less than:
 - a) 40, when there is only one exit door, or
- b) 60, when there is one exit door and a second means of egress.

"10.9.2.2. Fire Protection of Exits and Separation of Public Corridors

- 1) The provisions of Subsection 9.9.4., covering the protection of exits against fire, apply to any non-modified exit servicing a floor area or part of floor area under alteration which is not separated from the rest of the building by a fire separation of at least 45 min.
- 2) Except as provided for under Articles 10.9.2.3. and 10.9.3.2., the provisions of Sections 9.9. and 9.10., covering <u>public corridors</u>, apply to any non-modified <u>public corridor</u> servicing a <u>floor area</u> or part of <u>floor area</u> which is under <u>alteration</u> in each of the following cases:
 - a) its unobstructed height is less than 1900 mm,
 - b) its unobstructed width is less than 760 mm,
 - c) its dead-end length exceeds:
- i) except as provided for under Sentence (3), 6 m in the case of a dwelling unit,
- ii) 12 m for any occupancy of Group D, E and F, Division 2 and 3,
- d) the separation of the corridor from the rest of the <u>building</u> is not smoke-tight.
- 3) A <u>public corridor</u>, as referred to in Subclause (2)(c)(i), located in a <u>residential occupancy</u> other than a hotel or motel, may, when the <u>fire separation</u> of this corridor has a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 45 min, have a deadend part not exceeding 12 m, provided the following conditions are met:
- a) the doors of the <u>dwelling units</u> have a self closing device and do not lock automatically,
- b) the corridor has <u>smoke detectors</u> connected to the fire alarm system installed as required under Subsection 3.2.4..
- c) the <u>floor area</u> is entirely <u>sprinklered</u>, as required under Articles 3.2.5.13. to 3.2.5.15., except if each <u>dwelling unit</u> has a balcony accessible to the Fire department.

"10.9.2.3. Flame-Spread Limits in Means of Egress

1) The provisions of Subsection 9.10.16., covering flame-spread limits, apply to the non-modified interior finish of ceilings and upper half of walls of any <u>public corridor</u>, from the <u>access to exit</u> door of the part under <u>alteration</u> to the nearest <u>exit</u>, provided the following conditions are met:

- a) the <u>flame-spread rating</u> exceed 75,
- b) the <u>alteration</u> involves an increase in <u>occupant</u> load, as determined in Subsection 3.1.16.

"10.9.3. Fire Protection

"10.9.3.1. Spatial Separation

- 1) The provisions of Subsection 9.10.14., covering spatial separations, do not apply for an <u>alteration</u> to the modification of any existing part of an <u>exposing building face</u>, unless the <u>alteration</u> results:
- a) either in an increase of the opening surfaces beyond the limit referred to in Sentence 9.10.14.1.(1), for unprotected openings,
 - b) in a reduction of the <u>limiting distance</u>,
 - c) or in a reduction of resistance to fire.
- 2) When a <u>building</u> or part of <u>building</u> is under <u>alteration</u>, any <u>party wall</u> which is not built as a <u>firewall</u> shall:
- a) except as provided for under Clause (b), have a <u>fire-resistance rating</u> of at least 2 h on the altered side and ensure smoke-tightness from the floor of the altered part to the underface of the floor or roof located above this alteration.
- b) for an increase in height, meet the requirements of Subsection 9.10.11. for the construction of a <u>firewall</u> from the ground up.

"10.9.3.2. Fire Alarm and Detection Systems

- 1) Subsection 9.10.17., covering fire alarm and detection systems for an <u>alteration</u>:
- a) does not apply to any <u>building</u> which does not have such a system, unless the <u>alteration</u> involves:
- i) either an increase in the <u>occupant load</u>, in the altered part,
 - ii) a new occupancy of Group C, E, or F, Division 2,
- iii) an increase in the <u>building area</u> of more than 10%,
 - iv) or an increase in the number of storeys,
- b) applies to any non-modified part of a fire alarm and detection system, if this system is not under electric monitoring and equipped with separate zone indicators.";

124° by deleting Sentence A-1.1.2.1. in Appendix A;

125° by inserting the following Sentence after Sentence "A-1.1.3.2. Public Corridor":

"A-1.1.3.2. Residential Board and Care. Transitional medical care generally refers to care that may be provided outside a hospital and which does not require the immediate supervision or control of a doctor. Supportive care generally refers to personal care such as that involving personal hygiene, feeding, maintenance, or the use of personal effects, as well as care for supervising medication or managing an eventual emergency or building evacuation situation.

The definition includes buildings for children, elderly people, or convalescing people. It does not include rooming houses nor daycare centres where clients can generally evacuate on their own. The building categories included in this definition may, for example, be designated under various names, such as:

- Accommodation centres
- · Private convalescence centres
- Foster homes
- Homes for the elderly
- · Rest homes
- Furnished apartments for the elderly
- Residence for retired people
- · Guest houses
- Apartment buildings whose leases include in appendix the mandatory form for elderly or handicapped people required under Article 2 of the Regulation respecting mandatory lease forms and the particulars of a notice to a new lessee enacted by decree 907-96 on July 17, 1996.

(Also see Appendix A-3.1.2.1.)";

126° by inserting the following Sentence before Sentence "A-1.1.3.2. Exit":

- "A-1.1.3.2. Alteration. Any alteration is subject to the applicable Code during alteration. The alteration does not include types of work such as backfitting, maintenance, an repairs which to not affect the characteristics or functions of the elements involved. However, it involves the following:
- A change of occupancy, without modification work, including a change within the same Group or Division involving one of the following characteristics:
 - a) an increase in occupant load,

- b) a new occupancy other than those of Groups D and F, Division 3,
 - c) a building change to a high building.
- 2) A modification such as an addition, restoration, rehabilitation, renovation, or retrofitting involving one of the following characteristics:
 - a) an increase in building height,
 - b) an increase in building area,
 - c) an increase in floor area,
 - d) the creation of an interconnected floor space,
- e) the construction of a barrier-free access to the building or barrier-free path of travel within the building,
 - f) a modification of the fire fighting procedures,
- g) a modification or addition affecting the safety and salubrity conditions of the building or part of building.";

127° by deleting the "Equivalence" Clause in Sentence A-2:

128° by deleting Sentence A-2.5.2.;

129° by inserting reference "NFPA 92A-1996 Recommended Practice for Smoke-Control Systems B-3.2.6.2.(3)" after reference "NFPA 91-1992 Installation of Blower and Exhaust Systems for Dust, Stock and Vapor Removal or Conveying A-6.2.2.5." in the documents listed in Table A-2.7.3.2.";

130° in Sentence A-3.1.2.1.(1):

- 1° by inserting the words "Rehabilitation centres" and "Residential board and care facilities" after the words "Reformatories without detention quarters" in "Group B, Division 2";
- 2° by inserting the words "Outfitting operations" and "Rooming houses" after the word "Motels" in "Group C";
- 3° by inserting the word "Shelters" after the words "Schools, residential" in "Group C";
 - 131° by deleting Sentence A-3.2.4.19.(4);

132° by inserting the following Sentence after Sentence A-3.2.5.14.(1):

"A-3.2.5.15.(1) Protected Service Spaces

Any permanent floor in a service space may eventually be used to stock maintenance products and supplies, without much control of the combustible content accumulated therein. Because these spaces are hard to access for fire fighting, they must be protected by a sprinkler system. When the floor is only a walkway, the risk of significant accumulation of combustible content is considerably reduced, and this requirement no longer applies.";

133° by adding the following Clause after Sentence A-3.8.1.2.:

"Service entrances such as those for delivery and receipt of goods, and those accessing service rooms and workshops of Group F need not be made accessible.";

134° by deleting Sentence A-3.8.3.3.(2);

135° in Sentence A-3.8.3.3.(10), by deleting the last sentence:

136° by deleting Sentence A-8.2.2.12.(3);

 137° by replacing Sentence A-9.7.1.6. by the following:

"A-9.7.1.6. Height of Window Sills Above Floors or Ground. This requirement is primarily designed to reduce the possibility of young children falling from a window. The requirement applies to dwelling units with mostly swinging or sliding windows. The choice of windows must therefore be made carefully, as even when equipped with special hardware, certain ajar windows may open wider by a simple push.

Swinging windows with rotating opening mechanisms are considered to be in conformance with Clause (1)(b). To ensure the safety of older children, parents may easily take the crank handles off these windows. However, the scissor opening mechanisms of awning windows do not prevent these windows from being widely open once unlocked. Sash windows are not considered safe if both sashes are mobile, as they provide openings at the top and bottom. This measure prevents the use of sliding windows that do not have a device for limiting the opening.

The maximum opening of the window, i.e. 100 mm, and the maximum drop on the other side of the window to the ground, i.e. 600 mm were determined according to the same principles as for guards.";

138° by adding the following Clause at the end of Sentence B-3.2.6.2.(3):

"Standard "NFPA-92A Recommended Practice for Smoke-Control Systems" suggests mechanical smoke control methods. These methods may be used as alternatives to venting proposed in this Article. However, designers will need to demonstrate that the method they propose under this standard meets the objectives of the Code.".

SECTION IV PENAL PROVISION

5. Any violation of the requirements of this Code is punishable under Paragraph 7 of Section 194 of the Building Act.

SECTION V TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

- **6.** Notwithstanding Section 2, the Regulation on the implementation of a Building Code 1990 enacted by Order in Council dated 13 October 1993 1440-93, and modified by the regulation enacted by Order in Council dated 5 April 1995 467-95, may apply to a building or its alteration, as defined in this Code, when the plans and specifications are submitted, as required by the Public Buildings Safety Act (R.S.Q. c. S-3), before (*indicate here the date of the 180th day following the effective date of this Code*), and when the work begins within 12 months of serving notice of the approval of the plans and specifications.
- **7.** This Code comes into force on (*insert here the date of the ninetieth day following the date of its publication in the Gazette officielle du Québec*), except Article 2 which will come into force, with respect to Sentence (2) of Article 2.5.1.1, on the date that section 27 of Chapter 93 of the Statutes of 1997 takes effect in accordance with section 188 of Chapter, and, with respect to section 9.32, on 1 January 2000. Paragraphs 118 and 119 of section 4 above will come into force on 1 January 2000.

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Draft Regulation

Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., c. Q-2)

Reduction of pollution from agricultural sources — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) and with section 124 of the Environment Quality Act, that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources, the text

of which appears below, may be made by the Gouvernement du Québec upon the expiry of 60 days following this publication.

The draft of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources proposes amendments to the provisions related to the setting up of facilities used in livestock production and to the storage practices in order to facilitate the application of the Regulation and to favour modes of management that are environmentally friendly.

The covering of manure piles in fields and the storage in a watertight storage of manure liquid from certain yards comprise constraints and costs that could be avoided by other management methods but while providing interesting solutions, it remains to be proved if they would be environmentally sound. In addition, the prohibition against storing solid manure from suidae in fields limits the interest for bedded housing even if that mode of livestock production is less environmentally problematic than livestock production on liquid manure.

The proposed solutions allow those producers storing manure in accordance with the criteria recognized by the Minister of the Environment to store solid manure from suidae in fields until 2003. At the end of the period of exemption, the ministère de l'Environnement should possess sufficient data to evaluate the effectiveness in protecting the environment of the management methods in place. Producers of livestock other than beef cattle and suidae will be exempt until 1 October 2000 from the obligation to cover manure piles in fields and to store the manure liquid and contaminated water from certain yards in a watertight storage. For those producers, that period should allow the setting out, in the good practice guides, of the conditions for storing manure in fields without covering and for appropriately managing manure liquid and contaminated water from yards having a livestock production density of less than 5 kg live weight/sq. m. An extension of this exemption until 31 March 2003 may be granted when the good practice guides, for the different types of livestock production, will become available and be recognized by the ministère de l'Environnement.

Furthermore, amendments are proposed to ease the standards governing the protected zones for wells and the aquatic environment for existing operations insofar as conditions for protecting the environment are complied with and taking into account that livestock production facilities that may be built there must be watertight. It is also proposed to specify that for any manure management organization to be recognized as such for the purposes of this Regulation, it must enter into an agreement with the Minister of the Environment.

The proposed amendments to the standards currently in effect should allow farm producers more leeway to implement innovative solutions to manure management. The proposed amendments also limit the risks of harm to the environment by setting out rules of manure management in the raising of suidae on bedded housing, and by preserving, for all the exemptions related to storage, the obligation to not contaminate water.

Further information related to the draft of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources may be obtained by contacting Mr. Robert Bertrand, Direction des politiques des secteurs agricole et naturel, ministère de l'Environnement, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 8e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7, tel. (418) 521-3829, extension 4823.

Any interested person having comments to make on the draft of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 60-day period, to the Minister of the Environment, édifice Marie-Guyart, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 30° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7.

PAUL BÉGIN, Minister of the Environment

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources*

Environment Quality Act (R.S.Q., c. Q-2, s. 31, pars. *a, c, d, e, f, h, h.*1, *h.*2 and *l,* s. 70, 1st par., subpars. *c* and *k,* s. 109.1)

1. Section 3 of the Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources is amended by inserting the following after the definition of the expression "livestock waste":

"manure management organization" means any organization which, pursuant to an agreement entered into with the Minister of the Environment, takes charge of livestock waste with a view to carrying out spreading in accordance with the prescriptions of this Regulation; (organisme de gestion des fumiers)".

^{*} The Regulation respecting the reduction of pollution from agricultural sources, made by Order in Council 742-97 dated 4 June 1997 (1997, *G.O.* 2, 2607), was amended by the Regulations made by Order in Council 737-98 dated 3 June 1998 (1998, *G.O.* 2, 2208) and by Order in Council 247-99 dated 24 March 1999 (1999, *G.O.* 2, 415).

2. Section 30 is amended

- (1) by substituting "Subparagraphs 1 and 7 of the first paragraph of section 29 do not apply" for "Subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 29 does not apply" in the first paragraph;
- (2) by adding the following after the second paragraph:

"Finally, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 29 and 31, the number of livestock units contained in a livestock building may be increased where the construction or operation of the building began on or before 3 July 1997 and where it is located entirely or partially in the 30 m space around an individual well that does not belong to the owner of the building; such a building may also be enlarged, provided that the distance between the enlarged building and the well is not less than the distance between that well and the building before its enlargement.

The second and third paragraphs shall also apply to natural persons who are shareholders of a business corporation that owns a livestock facility.".

- **3.** Section 33 is amended by striking out "that has entered into an agreement for that purpose with the Minister of the Environment and Wildlife in accordance with paragraph 2 of section 12 of the Act respecting the Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Faune (R.S.Q., c. M-15.2.1)" in paragraph 2.
- **4.** Section 44 is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the first dash of subparagraph b of paragraph 1: "The provisions of the first dash shall also apply to natural persons who are shareholders of a business corporation that owns a livestock facility or storage;".
- **5.** The following is inserted after section 93.1:
- "93.1.1. Until 31 March 2003, solid manure from bedded housing of suidae may be stored in a cultivated field provided that the layout and the operation of the storage facility be carried out in accordance with the provisions of this Regulation and the requirements prescribed in the document dated July 1999 entitled Environmental criteria for pig farming with solid manure management published by the Ministère de l'Environnement (Envirodoq EEN990507).

The provisions of section 41 and of the first paragraph of section 42 do not apply to the storage facility.

- **93.1.2.** Any manure storage facility laid out in a cultivated field that receives only solid manure originating from livestock other than beef cattle or suidae is exempt, until 1 October 2000, from the obligation to be permanently covered with a watertight material as prescribed under section 46.".
- **6.** The following is inserted after section 93.2:
- "93.2.1. Manure liquid and contaminated water originating from a yard where livestock other than beef cattle or suidae is raised and where the concentration of livestock does not exceed 5 kilograms of live weight per square metre do not need to be intercepted and channeled, until 1 October 2000, as provided for in section 48, toward a storage that complies with the provisions of section 41 and of the first paragraph of section 42.".

7. Section 93.3 is amended

- (1) by substituting the words "in section 93.1, 93.1.1 or 93.1.2" for the words "in section 93.1" in the first paragraph; and
- (2) by substituting the words "in section 93.2 or 93.2.1" for the words "in section 93.2" in the second paragraph.
- **8.** 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

An Act respecting safety in sports (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1)

Safety in Alpine ski centres — Amendments

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in Alpine ski centres, the text of which appears below, may be made upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to adjust certain provisions of the Regulation to take into account new practices in use on the slopes and to better ensure the safety of users. To that end, it proposes to replace the Alpine skiers' code of conduct by the Mountain Code of Conduct, to change the signs announcing snowmaking machines, certain pictographs and the accident report, to lower the minimum age of first-aiders and to add new provisions concerning the layout of parks-play areas.

To date, study of the matter has shown no significant impact on businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. André Buist, Direction de la sécurité, Direction générale des loisirs et des sports, 100, rue Laviolette, bureau 306, édifice Capitanal, Trois-Rivières (Québec) G9A 5S9; tel. (819) 371-6117.

Any interested person having comments to make on the matter is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Minister of State for Education and Youth 1035, rue De La Chevrotière, 16° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5A5.

François Legault, Minister of State for Education and Youth

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in Alpine ski centres*

An Act respecting safety in sports (R.S.Q., c. S-3.1, s. 55.1, pars. 1, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14 and 15)

1. The Regulation respecting safety in Alpine ski centres is amended by substituting the following for the first paragraph of section 1:

"The Alpine skiers' code of conduct, hereinafter called the Mountain Code of Conduct, shall be posted at the ticket office of the centre and near the boarding area of each ski lift. The Code is as follows:

MOUNTAIN CODE OF CONDUCT

Code adopted under the Act respecting safety in sports

This Code applies to all persons practising a snow sport.

1. Stay in control of your speed and direction. Make sure you can stop and avoid any person or obstacle.

- 2. Yield the right of way to persons downhill and choose a course that does not jeopardize their safety.
- 3. Stop on a slope only if persons uphill can see you and if you are not obstructing the slope.
- 4. Yield the right of way to persons uphill when going onto a slope and at intersections.
- 5. If you are involved in an accident or witness one, stay on location and identify yourself to a first-aider.
- 6. Use and wear at all times an appropriate device to prevent your equipment from sliding away.
- 7. Keep out of the lifts and off the slopes if you are intoxicated.
- 8. Obey all signs and warnings and never venture off the slopes or onto a closed slope.".
- **2.** The number "16" is substituted for the number "18" in the first paragraph of section 7.1.
- **3.** The following is substituted for section 18:
- **"18.** The presence of removable or operating snowmaking machines on an Alpine ski slope shall be indicated at the beginning of the slope and on the slope, immediately uphill from the machines, by means of pictograph 272 in Schedule 1.".
- **4.** Section 21 is deleted and the following Division is added after section 20:

"DIVISION V PARKS — PLAY AREAS

- **21.** The facilities and equipment intended for jumps or other figures constitute a park-play area.
- **22.** Access to a park-play area elsewhere than at the entrances shall be prohibited by a permanent physical means. The entrances shall be designed so that no one may enter unknowingly and be indicated by pictograph 212 in Schedule 1.
- 23. All the rules of conduct that the operator imposes on Alpine skiers who enter the park-play area, as well as the sanctions he intends to impose on Alpine skiers who violate those rules and, where applicable, the duration of the sanctions, shall be posted at the entrances of the park-play area.

The operator shall indicate that those rules apply in addition to the Mountain Code of Conduct provided for in section 1.".

^{*} The Regulation respecting safety in Alpine ski centres, made by Order in Council 1788-88 dated 30 November 1988 (1988, *G.O.* 2, 3952), was last amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 1572-95 dated 6 December 1995 (1995, *G.O.* 2, 3563). For previous amendments refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 1999, updated to 1 September 1999.

- **5.** Schedule 1 is amended
 - (1) in the "Regulatory symbols" section:
- (a) by substituting the following for pictograph 241 and the specifications under it:



Pictograph 241 SLOPE CLOSED

Indicates that the slope is closed to all skiers

Dimensions: 45cm X 60cm

Border: black Background: white

Circle: red Stroke: white »

(b) by substituting the following for pictograph 242:



(c) by substituting the following for pictograph 250:



(2) in the "Warning symbols" section, by substituting the following for pictograph 272:



(3) in the "Other symbols" subsection of the "Information symbols" section, by adding the following pictograph and specifications:



Pictograph 212 PARK-PLAY AREA Dimensions: 30cm X 30cm Shape as shown

Shape as shown Colour: white »

- **6.** Schedule 4 attached hereto is substituted for Schedule 4 to the Regulation.
- **7.** An Alpine skiers' code of conduct whose wording complies with the prescriptions of section 1 of the Regulation respecting safety in Alpine ski centres, as it read before its amendment by section 1 of this Regulation, is deemed to comply with the new prescriptions of that section until 1 December 2001.
- **8.** A pictograph complying with the prescriptions of Schedule 1 to the Regulation respecting safety in Alpine ski centres, as it read before its amendment by section 5 of this Regulation, is deemed to comply with the new prescriptions of that section until 1 December 2001.
- **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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