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**Evaluation of physiognomy impairments**


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<b>Class of physiognomy impairments</b>	<b>Changes in the form and symmetry</b>	<b>Cicatricial impairment</b>	<b>Max. Disfig.</b>
Lower limbs	Minor or moderate change: 1 to 4 % Severe change: 8 %	Conspicuous impairment: 1 %/cm <sup>2</sup>	Conspicuous impairment: 0.1 %/cm <sup>2</sup>
<b>The maximum percentage of impairment for a lower limb is 8 % on the right side and 8 % on the left side</b>			

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\* Example: surface that is hypo- or hyperpigmented.

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

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### **Draft Regulation**

Automobile Insurance Act  
(R.S.Q., c. A-25)

#### **Reimbursement of certain expenses — 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 the reimbursement of certain expenses”, the text of which appears below, made by the Société de l’assurance automobile du Québec may be approved by the government after 45 days have elapsed from the date of this publication.

The intent of the proposed regulation is to update certain rates, to bring the payment of private vehicle expenses into line with that in other government ministries and agencies, and to streamline the reimbursement of urologic supplies.

The new provisions will make for smoother, more accurate and fairer compensation for Quebecers become road accident victims.

Rates have been revised to better reflect accident-related expenses. In most cases, these are increased.

Individuals will henceforth have the choice of using a private vehicle, without having to prove the unavailability of more economical public transit. A single rate

applies for the reimbursement of expenses, namely \$0.125 per kilometre travelled.

Several requirements concerning the evaluation of urologic supplies necessary to a victim are removed, to simplify and speed up reimbursement.

The draft regulation is not expected to have an impact on suppliers.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Jacqueline Pettigrew, Service de la normalisation, 333, boulevard Jean-Lesage, S-4-21, C.P. 19600, Québec (Québec), G1K 8J6, tel.: (418) 528-3927, fax: (418) 528-1223.

Any person wishing to make comments on the matter must forward them in written form, before expiry of the 45-day period, to the Chairman and CEO of the Société de l’assurance automobile du Québec, 333, boulevard Jean-Lesage, N-6-2, C.P. 19600, Québec (Québec), G1K 8J6.

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### **Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the reimbursement of certain expenses**

Automobile Insurance Act  
(R.S.Q., c. A-25, s. 195, pars. 15, 16, 17 and 19)

**1.** The Regulation respecting the reimbursement of certain expenses, approved by Order in Council 1925-89 dated 13 December 1989 and amended by the regulation approved by O.C. 789-93 dated 2 June 1993, is further amended by substituting the following for section 9:

“9. Expenses incurred for the purpose of receiving acupuncture treatment qualify for reimbursement, at a rate of up to fifteen treatment sessions per prescription and a maximum fee of \$26 for a session.”.

**2.** The following is substituted for section 13 of the Regulation:

“13. Expenses incurred for the correcting of a scar qualify for reimbursement to:

(1) a maximum amount of \$240 for a scar of less than 4 cm<sup>2</sup>;

(2) a maximum amount of \$360 for a scar of 4 cm<sup>2</sup> to 10 cm<sup>2</sup>;

(3) a maximum amount of \$560 for a scar of more than 10 cm<sup>2</sup> to 20 cm<sup>2</sup>;

(4) a maximum amount of \$720 for a scar of more than 20 cm<sup>2</sup>.

**13.1** Expenses incurred for the correction of a deformity qualify for reimbursement to:

(1) a maximum amount of \$800 for liposuction in the case of a single lesion;

(2) a maximum amount of \$400 per liposuction to treat each additional lesion;

(3) a maximum amount of \$800 for an injection of fat in the case of a single lesion;

(4) a maximum amount of \$400 per fat injection to treat each additional lesion.

In cases where liposuction or fat injection requires contralateral action or multiple sessions, a treatment plan must be given prior approval by the Société.”.

**3.** The following is substituted for section 26:

“26. Expenses incurred for transportation by private automobile qualify for reimbursement up to the maximum amount provide in Schedule III.”.

**4.** The following is substituted for section 27:

“27. Taxi fare qualifies for reimbursement in the following instances:

(1) when the victim’s state of health precludes the use of public transit or a private automobile;

(2) where public transit does not serve the itinerary that must be travelled;

(3) when taking a taxi is more economical than using public transit.”.

**5.** Section 28 is amended by striking the words “the first paragraph of” in paragraph 1.

**6.** Section 29 is amended by striking the words “the first paragraph of” in paragraphs 1 and 2.

**7.** The following is substituted for section 51:

“51. In the case of a mentally incompetent victim whose interests are not already protected, expenses incurred for the appointment of a guardian, trustee or legal counsel, or for sanction of the assignment of proxy by a person of age in expectation of incompetence qualify for reimbursement to a maximum of \$350.”.

**8.** The following is substituted for section 54.22:

“54.22 Expenses incurred for the purchase of urological supplies qualify for reimbursement when the following conditions are met:

(1) they are incurred for a medical reason resulting from the accident and are prescribed by a physician;

(2) at the Société’s request, the victim provides an evaluation of needs conducted by a nurse specialized in the field.”.

**9.** Section 56 is amended:

(1) by substituting “\$35” for “\$50”;

(2) by substituting “\$70” for “\$100”.

**10.** Section 57 is amended:

(1) by substituting “\$600” for “\$250” in paragraph 1;

(2) by substituting “\$600” for “\$250” and “\$1800” for “\$750” in paragraph 2.

**11.** Schedule III is amended by substituting “\$0.125” for “\$0.34” in the line concerning section 26.

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