

At the end of the heating process, samples shall be removed from the furnace. They may be removed from the plates if it can be done safely. Otherwise, it is recommended to wait until the plates have cooled. Filters may sometimes tend to adhere to the plate. A scalpel blade inserted between the filter and the surface while holding the filter with tweezers usually frees the filter without damaging it.

Filters shall then be placed in the same place as the balance for 2 hours. Filters shall be re-weighed as described in the second paragraph.

The mass of respirable combustible dust is the difference between the final mass obtained pursuant to the sixth paragraph and the initial mass obtained pursuant to the second paragraph.

7. Quality control

The accuracy of the furnace temperature reading shall be periodically verified by using an independent electronic thermometer.

The balance shall be calibrated at the beginning of each weighing session using the manufacturer's directions for internal calibration. Thereafter, every 3 months or more if needed, the accuracy of the balance shall be checked using NIST Class S weights. Every year, the balance shall be cleaned and its accuracy checked again using ANSI/ASTM Class 1 weights.

The calibration of flowmeters shall be done by a laboratory which shall file certificates demonstrating that the calibration procedures comply with NIST Standards.

Analytical and sampling blanks shall be analyzed at the same time as the other samples. The loss in mass of analytical blanks should never exceed 0.04 milligrams and that loss in mass shall be applied as a correction factor.

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Gouvernement du Québec

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Public Buildings Safety Act
(R.S.Q., c. S-3)

Safety in public buildings — Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings

WHEREAS under section 39 of the Public Buildings Safety Act (R.S.Q., c. S-3), the Government may make regulations with respect to the public buildings mentioned in section 2 of the Act;

WHEREAS under section 3 of the Act, the Government may make, in the regulations which it may enact in virtue of section 39 of the Act, the restrictions it deems fit regarding the public buildings mentioned in section 2 of the Act;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings (R.R.Q., 1981, c. S-3, r. 4);

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation so that certain family-type hotels will no longer be considered public buildings;

WHEREAS in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), the draft of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 19 March 1997 with a notice that it could be made by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS no comments were received;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings, attached to this Order in Council, without amendments;

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

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

MICHEL CARPENTIER,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting safety in public buildings

Public Buildings Safety Act
(R.S.Q., c. S-3, ss. 3 and 39)

1. The Regulation respecting safety in public buildings (R.R.Q., 1981, c. S-3, r. 4), amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 2477-82 dated 27 October 1982, 913-84 dated 11 April 1984, 2449-85 dated 27 November 1985, 88-91 dated 23 January 1991, 1441-93 dated 13 October 1993 and 466-95 dated 5 April 1995, is further amended in section 6

(1) by substituting “subsections 4 and 4.1 of section 6” for “subsection 4 of section 6” in the second paragraph of subsection 1; and

(2) by inserting the following after subsection 4:

“(4.1) A family-type hotel not more than 2 storeys high is not considered a public building.”.

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