Draft Regulation

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.Q., c. C-61.1)

Wearing of a fluorescent orange-coloured garment when hunting

— 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 wearing of a fluorescent orange-coloured garment when hunting, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Gouvernement du Québec upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the Draft Regulation is to allow hunting without an orange vest during restricted hunting in a wildlife sanctuary where all the hunters in a sector, issued by a drawing of lots, hunt with a bow. That exception is also extended to outfitting operations with exclusive rights.

For that purpose, the Regulation proposes to introduce the exception on the wearing of an orange vest during a hunting period with a firearm, a crossbow and a bow in a wildlife sanctuary where hunters with a bow hunt in a sector reserved exclusively for hunting with a bow, which was granted by a drawing of lots. In the case of outfitting operations with exclusive rights, that exception applies where all the hunters in a sector use the bow as a hunting implement.

To date, study of the matter has not revealed any impact on businesses and, in particular, on small and medium-sized businesses. Archers may practise their activity in wildlife sanctuaries that will offer that method of hunting. Hunters with firearms will not be penalized by that new rule since hunting periods have been extended in several wildlife sanctuaries.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. Serge Bergeron, ministère de l'Environnement et de la Faune, Service de la réglementation, 150, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 4° étage, boîte 91, Québec (Québec), G1R 4Y1, tel.: (418) 643-4880, fax: (418) 528-0834, Internet: Berse01@msmail.mef.gouv.qc.ca.

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 the Environment and Wildlife, édifice Marie-Guyart, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 30° étage, Québec (Québec), G1R 5V7.

DAVID CLICHE, Minister of the Environment and Wildlife

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the wearing of a fluorescent orange-coloured garment when hunting

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (R.S.Q., c. C-61.1, s. 162, par. 18)

- **1.** The Regulation respecting the wearing of a fluorescent orange-coloured garment when hunting (R.R.Q., 1981, c. C-61, r.26), amended by the Regulations made by Orders in Council 1290-84 dated 6 June 1984, 493-92 dated 1 April 1992 and 202-94 dated 2 February 1994, is further amended, in section 3, by adding the following paragraphs:
- "(c) for hunting with a bow in a hunting sector reserved for the exclusive use of a bow in a wildlife sanctuary;
- (d) for hunting with a bow in a hunting sector reserved for the exclusive use of a bow, in a territory on which exclusive hunting rights have been given by lease.".
- **2.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette* officielle du Québec.

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