

Draft Regulations

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An Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec (R.S.Q., c. S-13.1)

Bingo

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the By-Law respecting Bingo, adopted by the Société des loteries du Québec, the text of which appears hereinafter, may be submitted to the Government for approval upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of this By-law is to allow the Société des loteries du Québec to operate a new Bingo lottery scheme.

Additional information can be obtained by asking M^e Lynne Roiter, Vice-president, Corporate Affairs, Loto-Québec, at telephone number (514) 499-5190 or at Fax number (514) 873-8999.

Any person having comments to make is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to M^e Lynne Roiter, Vice-president, Corporate Affairs, 500, rue Sherbrooke Ouest, Office 2000, Montréal (Québec), H3A 3G6.

The comments will be forwarded by the company to the Vice-First Minister and State Minister of Economy and Finance, who is responsible for the application of the Act respecting the Société des loteries du Québec.

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By-Law respecting Bingo

Loi sur la Société des loteries du Québec (L.R.Q., c. S-13.1, a.13)

1. This By-law governs a lottery scheme called “Bingo”. It is of a pari-mutuel type or has a pre-determined prize structure and is offered to the public in participating hall.

Bingo is played with tickets issued by the Société des loteries du Québec (the Company). Each ticket contains one or many cards containing six horizontal rows where the first one forms the words “Bingo”, and five vertical columns. Each card contains 25 squares, 24 of which are

imprinted with a number, and the center space is imprinted with the term “Gratuit”

The selected alphanumbers are transmitted by the Company by satellite or other communication device.

2. Only a charitable or religious organization referred to in subparagraph *b* of the first paragraph of section 207 of the Criminal Code (L.R.C. 1985, c. C-46), holder of a bingo licence issued by the Régie des alcools des courses et des jeux and to which the company awards a retailer’s number can offer Bingo.

3. Only the holder of a Bingo ticket can participate in Bingo.

4. The selling price of a Bingo ticket cannot be less than 1 \$ and no ticket may be sold at a price exceeding its face value.

5. No credit may be given to a player, in any form whatsoever.

6. The rules of the game, including the method of prize allocation and the prize to be won, must be reproduced in a document available to the public in participating halls.

7. The alphanumbers are selected by a tumbler or a computer that chooses them randomly.

8. Unless the rules of the game available to the public in participating halls provide otherwise, the player must mark on each card of his ticket the selected alphanumbers that appear on it and he must, once he notices that he has a winning card, declare it outloud, otherwise he is not entitled to the prize.

9. When a card declared a winner is determined, after verification, a winning card, the prize corresponding to the winning card is awarded to the holder of the ticket.

However, if the card declared a winner is determined, after verification, not to be a winning card, the prize cannot be paid to its holder and the game continues for this prize.

10. A prize awarded to a player cannot be claimed later by another player.

If, before awarding the prize, more than one player has declared outloud their card a winning card, and, after verification, there is more than one winning card, the prize is divided equally among the players of valid winning cards.

11. Any ticket for which payment by the player was not made prior to the draw for which it is valid, is void.

It is the same for any ticket that is illegible, mutilated, altered, counterfeited, improperly cut, misprinted, incomplete, erroneously printed or otherwise defective, unless it is possible by the control number to determine that the ticket is really a winning ticket.

The holder of an invalid ticket is not entitled to a prize.

12. All winning tickets must be confirmed by means of its validation number.

13. The value of the prizes offered each year may not be less than 35 % or more than 75 % of the total amount of ticket sales.

14. The holder of a valid ticket, containing a card declared a winner, must claim the prize at the location and within the claiming period indicated on the ticket.

15. The Company and the organizations referred to in section 2 cannot be held liable for the obligations resulting from the use of a ticket if the rules of the game are not respected.

16. An amount equivalent to 50 % of the Bingo's net income is awarded to the charitable or religious organization referred to in section 2.

17. The Company pays from its net income after payment of the amounts provided for in section 16,3 % of the total amount of the pari-mutuel Bingo ticket sales to a dedicated account, whose sums are to be distributed to charitable or religious organizations, holders of a bingo licence issued by the Régie des alcools des courses et des jeux, who do not participate in the Bingo referred to in section 1.

18. The Company pays, from this account, to an organization referred in section 17, an amount corresponding to a maximum of 25 % of the average net income per event that the organization has held by virtue of its last expired bingo licence, as supplied by the Régie des alcools des courses et des jeux, times the number of events indicated in its bingo licence then in force or indicated in its last expired bingo licence if it is a lesser number.

19. No symbol, acronym, name or other characteristic used to identify the games covered by this By-law may be used for advertising or any other purpose without the written authorization of the company.

20. This By-law comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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An Act respecting collective agreement decrees (R.S.Q., c. D-2)

Building Materials

— Levy

— Amendments

Notice is hereby given, under the Act respecting collective agreement decrees (R.S.Q., c. D-2), that the Minister of Labour received from the Building Materials Joint Committee, following its meeting of August 19, 1996, a petition requesting him to recommend to the Government that it approve the "Regulation amending the Levy Regulation of the Building Materials Joint Committee". Under sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), the Regulation, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft regulation aims to amend the levy rate currently in force for employers and employees governed by the Decree respecting the building materials industry and by the Decree respecting the non-structural metalwork industry in the Montréal region.

For that purpose, it proposes to increase the levy rate from 0.40 % to 0.45 %.

A study of the matter has revealed that the new rate proposed would increase the overall amount of levies by about \$50,000, enabling part of the annual deficit observed since the beginning of this decade to be made up. During the consultation period, the impact of the proposed amendment will be clarified. According to the data contained in the 1995 Annual Report of the Joint Committee, the Decree respecting the building materials industry governs 110 employers and 1,243 employees, whereas the Decree respecting the non-structural metalwork industry in the Montréal region governs 112 employers and 731 employees.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Mr. Gilles Fleury, Direction des décrets, ministère du