

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the application of section 2 of the Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry(*)

An Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry
(R.S.Q., c. D-8.1, s. 38, par. 4)

1. The Regulation respecting the application of section 2 of the Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry (R.R.Q., 1981, c. D-8.1, r. 5) is amended by substituting the following for paragraph 1 of section 1 of Schedule A:

“(1) financial aid granted by a government department, agency or mandatary, in the area of publishing, distribution or bookselling, for the purposes of starting up a firm or of establishing a firm outside Québec;”.

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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Draft Regulation

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Bookstore accreditation — 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 accreditation of bookstores, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government at the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

As school manuals are not subject to the application of the Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry, the draft Regulation redefines the term “school manual” in order to simplify the definition and include workbooks.

The draft Regulation increases the volume of book sales required to be eligible for accreditation. On the

other hand, a person who is already accredited for one establishment is no longer required to have operated a bookstore for at least three consecutive months when seeking accreditation.

The obligation for an accredited bookstore to maintain an inventory of at least 6 000 different book titles is amended with respect to distribution according to the origin of the books, and Schedule B to the Regulation is consequently replaced. The standard pertaining to inventory content will apply irrespective of the date on which a person obtains accreditation, while allowing up to a year to meet the requirement.

The draft Regulation specifies the number of book titles that a person must have when seeking accreditation as a specialized bookstore. It also requires that the holders of bookstore accreditation submit, for each fiscal period, proof of subscription to the bibliographic material listed in Schedule A. That Schedule is also amended to take technological innovations into account.

The draft Regulation will have little impact on firms. The only amendment which may impose constraints is that concerning the distribution of inventory, and firms have a year during which to comply.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Hélène Vachon, Direction des arts et de la culture, Ministère de la Culture et des Communications, 225, Grande-Allée Est, Québec (Québec), G1R 5G5; tel.: (418) 644-7203, fax: (418) 643-4080.

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 the Minister of Culture and Communications, 225, Grande-Allée Est, 1^{er} étage (Bloc A), Québec (Québec), G1R 5G5.

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Culture and Communications*

* The Regulation respecting the application of section 2 of the Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry (R.R.Q., 1981, c. D-8.1, r. 5) has not been amended since it was revised.

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An Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry
(R.S.Q., c. D-8.1, ss. 3, 15, 17, 20 and 38, pars. 1 and 2)

1. The Regulation respecting the accreditation of bookstores is amended by substituting the following for section 1:

“**1.** For the purposes of the Act respecting the development of Québec firms in the book industry (R.S.Q., c. D-8.1) and the regulations thereunder, the following term means:

“school manual”: any printed document designed for the instructional objectives of the kindergarten, elementary and secondary program of studies, and including complementary material and workbooks; regular dictionaries used for those teaching levels are also included.”.

2. Section 4 is amended

(1) by substituting “\$300 000 or not less than 50 %” for “\$200 000 or not less than 30 %” in paragraph 6;

(2) by substituting “\$150 000 or not less than 50 %” for “\$100 000 or not less than 30 %” in paragraph 7; and

(3) by adding the words “or have access to that material in the establishment” at the end of paragraph 11.

3. Section 5 is amended by adding “, except where the person is accredited under this Regulation for another establishment” at the end of the first paragraph.

4. Section 6 is amended by substituting the following for paragraph 8:

“(8) keep, for the entire bookstore and irrespective of the date on which the person was accredited, an inventory of at least 6 000 different book titles, including at least 2 000 different titles of books published in Québec and 4 000 different titles of books published elsewhere, divided into categories the names and minimum numbers of which are listed in Schedule B. To reach the total of 2 000 different titles of books published in Québec

and 4 000 different titles of books published elsewhere, as the case may be, the person shall add the number of different additional book titles required in the categories of his choice to the minimum numbers of different book titles listed in Schedule B.”.

5. Section 8 is amended by substituting the following for subparagraph 1 of the second paragraph:

“(1) always have a sufficient number of titles representative of all the titles published in the field;”.

6. Section 19 is amended by adding the following after subparagraph 8 of the first paragraph:

“(9) proof of subscription to the bibliographic material listed in Schedule A.”.

7. Schedule A is amended

(1) by substituting the following for section 1:

“(1) French-language accredited bookstores must have the following bibliographic material or bibliographic material containing similar information:

(1) La Bibliographie du Québec, Bibliothèque nationale du Québec;

(2) Livres d’ici;

(3) Les livres disponibles, Electre (Auteurs and Titres);

(4) Livres de France or Livres Hebdo;

(5) Le Répertoire des livres au format de poche;

(6) Les livres disponibles canadiens de langue française (Bibliodata).

The above bibliographic material may be kept in paper form, in electronic form, in optical, magnetic or magnetic-optical form, or in microform.”; and

(2) by revoking section 3.

8. The following is substituted for Schedule B:

* The Regulation respecting the accreditation of bookstores (R.R.Q., 1981, c. D-8.1, r.4) was last amended by the Regulation made by Order in Council 2798-84 dated 19 December 1984 (1985, G.O. 2, 59). For previous amendments, refer to the Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire, Éditeur officiel du Québec, updated to 1 September 1997.

“SCHEDULE B

(s. 6)

**INVENTORY OF DIFFERENT BOOK TITLES:
DISTRIBUTION BY CATEGORY AND MINIMUM
NUMBERS PER CATEGORY**

	Minimum number 6 000	
	Published in Québec	Published elsewhere
Categories	2 000	4 000
1. Fiction		
Novels, tales, short stories, drama, poetry, humour, literary criticism and essays	500	800
2. Fine Arts		
Art books, art history, architecture and town planning, folk art, music and performing arts, dance, cinema	50	75
3. Humanities and Social Sciences		
Philosophy, psychology, esoterica, religion, sociology, politics, anthropology, ethnology, economics, finance, law, education, geography, documentaries, history, biographies, memoirs, linguistics	200	300
4. Encyclopedias and dictionaries		
General encyclopedias, dictionaries, atlases	15	50
5. Scientific and technical books		
Any book providing an introduction to a science or technology and whose format and presentation are such that the book constitutes instructional material appropriate for use in occupational training, in: mathematics, physics, chemistry, astronomy, earth sciences, paleontology, life sciences, botany, zoology, medicine, engineering, applied sciences, agriculture, home economics, management, etc.	100	125
6. Popular scientific works		
	100	200
7. Children's literature		
Literature, illustrated books, narrative, comics	300	450
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9. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, except section 4, which will come into force on (enter the date of the 366th day following the date of publication of this Regulation in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*).

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