

**M.O., 2001****Order of the Minister responsible for the administration of the Act respecting immigration to Québec dated 22 June 2001**

An Act respecting immigration to Québec  
(R.S.Q., c. I-0.2)

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals

THE MINISTER OF RELATIONS WITH THE CITIZENS  
AND IMMIGRATION,

CONSIDERING that, under section 3.4 of the Act respecting immigration to Québec (R.S.Q., c. I-0.2), the Minister may, by regulation, establish the weighting of selection criteria for foreign nationals and the passing score and, where expedient, the cutoff score determined in relation to a selection criterion, applicable to the preliminary stage of selection and to the selection, which weighting and scores may vary according to the family situation of the foreign national, according to the classes of foreign nationals and within the same class of foreign nationals;

CONSIDERING that, under that section, the Minister may determine that the regulation applies to applications that are being processed, or to applications filed after a particular date that are being processed, or to those that have not yet reached a particular stage on the date of coming into force of the regulation;

CONSIDERING that, under that section, a regulation made by the Minister is not subject to the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1) and, notwithstanding section 17 of that Act, may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, or on any later date fixed in the regulation;

CONSIDERING that the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals was made by Order dated 9 September 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 4029);

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to further amend the Regulation;

## ORDERS :

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals, attached to this Order, be made.

JOSEPH FACAL,  
*Minister of Relations with the  
Citizens and Immigration*

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**Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals\***

An Act respecting immigration to Québec  
(R.S.Q., c. I-0.2, s. 3.4)

1. The Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals is amended by substituting the following for Schedules I, II, III and IV of section 1 :

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\* The Regulation respecting the weighting applicable to the selection of foreign nationals, made by Order dated 9 September 1996 (1996, *G.O.* 2, 4029), was last amended by Order dated 17 April 2000 (2000, *G.O.* 2, 2169). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 2000, updated to 1 November 2000.

**SCHEDULE I****WORKER AND ASSISTED RELATIVE**

<b>Factors</b>	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Weighting</b>	<b>Maximum per criterion</b>	
1. Training	1.1 Schooling	(a) secondary diploma	3	11
		(b) 1-year postsecondary diploma	4	
		(c) 2-year postsecondary diploma	5	
		(d) 3-year postsecondary diploma	7	
		(e) 1-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(f) 2-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(g) 3-year undergraduate university degree	8	
		(h) 4-year or more undergraduate university degree	9	
		(i) master's degree	11	
		(j) doctorate	11	
	1.2 Second specialty	(a) 1 year	2	4
		(b) 2 years or more	4	
	1.3 Preferred training	(a) university	4	4
		(b) other	4	
2. Employment (cutoff score = 8)		A. Assured employment	15	15
		B. Profession in demand in Quebec	12	
		C. EPM (see Schedule II)	8	
3. Experience (cutoff score =1)	3.1 Professional experience	(a) 6 months	1	10
		(b) 1 year	2	
		(c) 1 year and a half	3	
		(d) 2 years	4	
		(e) 2 years and a half	5	
		(f) 3 years	6	
		(g) 3 years and a half	7	
		(h) 4 years	8	
		(i) 4 years and a half	9	
		(j) 5 years and more	10	
4. Adaptability	4.1 Personal qualities		0 to 6	6
	4.2 Motivation		0 to 2	2
	4.3 Knowledge of Québec		0 to 2	2
	4.4 Stay in Québec	(a) full-time studies during one semester	4	6
		(b) full-time studies during at least two semesters or more	6	
		(c) employment whose duration equals at least three months	4	
(d) employment whose duration equals at least six months		6		
(e) training period of at least three months under a bilateral agreement		5		
(f) training period of at least six months under a bilateral agreement	6			

Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
		(g) other stay whose duration equals two weeks and at most three months	1	
		(h) other stay whose duration exceeds three months	3	
	4.5 Relationship with Québec	(a) spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister	3	3
		(b) grandfather, grandmother	2	
		(c) relative or friend	1	
5. Age	20 to 22 years		10	10
	23 to 30 years		10	
	31 years		10	
	32 years		10	
	33 years		10	
	34 years		10	
	35 years		10	
	36 years		8	
	37 years		6	
	38 years		4	
	39 years		2	
	40 to 45 years		1	
6. Knowledge of languages	6.1 French	(a) comprehension	8	16
		(b) verbal skills	8	
		(c) reading skills	0	
		(d) studies in French – secondary	2	2
		(e) studies in French – postsecondary	2	
	6.2 English	(a) comprehension	0 to 3	6
		(b) verbal skills	0 to 3	
7. Spouse's characteristics	7.1 Training	(a) secondary	2	5
		(b) at least one year postsecondary diploma	3	
		(c) 3-year university degree	4	
		(d) second specialty or preferred training	1	
	7.2 Professional experience	(a) 6 months to 1 year	1	2
		(b) more than 1 year	2	
	7.3 Age	(a) 20 to 39 years	2	2
		(b) 40 to 45 years	1	
	7.4 Knowledge of French	(a) comprehension	0 to 4	8
		(b) verbal skills	0 to 4	
		(c) reading skills	0	
8. Children	8.1 12 years or less	Per child	2	8
	8.2 13 to 17 years	Per child	1	
9. Financial autonomy capability (cutoff score = 1)		1 month	0	1
		3 months and more	1	

Preliminary Stage	Factors Applicable	Cutoff Scores	Maximum
Applicant without a spouse	All, except 7, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3	50 points	96
Applicant with a spouse	All, except 4.1, 4.2, 4.3	58 points	113

  

Selection	Factors Applicable	Cutoff Scores	Maximum
Applicant without a spouse	All, except 7	60 points	106
Applicant with a spouse	All	68 points	123

## SCHEDULE II

### EMPLOYABILITY AND PROFESSIONAL MOBILITY (EPM)\*

Factors	Subcriteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
1. Training	1.1 Schooling	(a) secondary diploma	3	11
		(b) 1-year postsecondary diploma	4	
		(c) 2-year postsecondary diploma	5	
		(d) 3-year postsecondary diploma	7	
		(e) 1-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(f) 2-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(g) 3-year undergraduate university degree	8	
		(h) 4-year or more undergraduate university degree	9	
		(i) master's degree	11	
		(j) doctorate	11	
			1.2 Second specialty	
(b) 2 years or more	4			
1.3 Preferred training	(a) university		4	4
	(b) other		4	
2. Experience	2.1 Professional experience (cutoff score = 1)	(a) 6 months	1	5
		(b) 1 year	2	
		(c) 1 year and a half	3	
		(d) 2 years	4	
		(e) 2 years and a half	5	
		(f) 3 years	5	
		(g) 3 years and a half	5	
		(h) 4 years	5	
		(i) 4 years and a half	5	
		(j) 5 years or more	5	
3. Age	20 to 22 years		10	10
	23 to 30 years		10	
	31 years		10	
	32 years		10	
	33 years		10	
	34 years		10	
	35 years		10	

\* A candidate who obtains a total of points equal to or greater than the passing score concerning him shall receive 8 points in factor 2 of Schedule I; if not, he shall receive 0 points.

Factors	Subcriteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
	36 years		8	
	37 years		6	
	38 years		4	
	39 years		2	
	40 to 45 years		1	
4. Knowledge of languages	1. French	comprehension and verbal skills	0 to 8	8
	2. French studies	(a) secondary diploma (b) postsecondary diploma	2 2	2
	3. English	comprehension and verbal skills	0 to 3	3
5. Stay in Québec and relationship with Québec	a. Stay in Québec	(a) full-time studies during one semester (b) full-time studies during at least two semesters or more (c) employment whose duration equals at least three months (d) employment whose duration equals at least six months (e) training period of at least three months under a bilateral agreement (f) training period of at least six months under a bilateral agreement (g) other stay whose duration equals two weeks and at most three months (h) other stay whose duration exceeds three months	4 6 4 6 5 6 1 3	6
	b. Relationship with Québec	(a) spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister (b) grandfather, grandmother (c) relative or friend	3 2 1	3
6. Spouse's characteristics	a. Training	(a) secondary diploma (b) at least one year postsecondary diploma (c) 3-year university degree (d) second specialty or preferred training	1 2 3 1	4
	b. Professional experience	(a) 6 months to 1 year (b) more than 1 year	1 2	1
	c. Age	(a) 20 to 39 years (b) 40 to 45 years	2 1	2
	d. French	(a) comprehension and verbal skills (b) secondary or postsecondary diploma	0 to 2 2	4
	<b>Factors applicable</b>	<b>Cutoff scores</b>	<b>Maximum</b>	
Applicant without a spouse	1 to 5	30 points	56	
Applicant with a spouse	1 to 6	35 points	67	

**SCHEDULE III****SELF-EMPLOYED PERSON**

<b>Factors</b>	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Weighting</b>	<b>Maximum per criterion</b>	
1. Training	1.1 Schooling	(a) secondary diploma	3	11
		(b) 1-year postsecondary diploma	4	
		(c) 2-year postsecondary diploma	5	
		(d) 3-year postsecondary diploma	7	
		(e) 1-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(f) 2-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(g) 3-year undergraduate university degree	8	
		(h) 4-year or more undergraduate university degree	9	
		(i) master's degree	11	
		(j) doctorate	11	
	1.2 Second specialty	(a) 1 year	2	4
		(b) 2 years or more	4	
	1.3 Preferred training	(a) university	4	4
		(b) other	4	
3. Experience	3.3 Experience of self-employed person  (cutoff score = 7)	(a) 6 months	0	15
		(b) 1 year	0	
		(c) 1 year and a half	0	
		(d) 2 years	7	
		(e) 2 years and a half	9	
		(f) 3 years	11	
		(g) 3 years and a half	13	
		(h) 4 years	15	
		(i) 4 years and a half	15	
		(j) 5 years and more	15	
4. Adaptability	4.1 Personal qualities		0 to 6	6
	4.2 Motivation		0 to 2	2
	4.3 Knowledge of Québec		0 to 2	2
	4.4 Stay in Québec	(a) full-time studies during one semester		4
(b) full-time studies during at least two semesters or more			6	
(c) employment whose duration equals at least three months			4	
(d) employment whose duration equals at least six months			6	

Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
		(e) training period of at least three months under a bilateral agreement	5	
		(f) training period of at least six months under a bilateral agreement	6	
		(g) other stay whose duration equals two weeks and at most three months	1	
		(h) other stay whose duration exceeds three months	3	
	4.5 Relationship with Québec	(a) spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister	3	3
		(b) grandfather, grandmother	2	
		(c) relative or friend	1	
5. Age	20 to 22 years		10	10
	23 to 30 years		10	
	31 years		10	
	32 years		10	
	33 years		10	
	34 years		10	
	35 years		10	
	36 years		8	
	37 years		6	
	38 years		4	
	39 years		2	
	40 to 45 years		1	
6. Knowledge of languages	6.1 French	(a) comprehension	8	16
		(b) verbal skills	8	
		(c) reading skills	0	
		(d) studies in French – secondary	2	2
		(e) studies in French – postsecondary	2	
	6.2 English	(a) comprehension	0 to 3	6
		(b) verbal skills	0 to 3	
7. Spouse's characteristics	7.1 Training	(a) secondary diploma	2	5
		(b) at least one year postsecondary diploma	3	
		(c) 3-year university degree	4	
		(d) second specialty or preferred training	1	
	7.2 Professional experience	(a) 6 months to 1 year	1	2
		(b) more than 1 year	2	
	7.3 Age	(a) 20 to 39 years	2	2
		(b) 40 to 45 years	1	
	7.4 Knowledge of French	(a) comprehension	0 to 4	8
		(b) verbal skills	0 to 4	
		(c) reading skills	0	

Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
9. Financial autonomy capability		1 month	0	1
		3 months and more	1	
(cutoff score = 1)				
10. Financial resources (cutoff score = 4)	Net assets	(a) \$50 000	0	6
		(b) \$75 000	0	
		(c) \$100 000	4	
		(d) \$125 000	5	
		(e) \$150 000	5	
		(f) \$175 000	5	
		(g) \$200 000	6	
		(h) \$250 000	6	
		(i) \$300 000	6	
		(j) \$350 000	6	
		(k) \$400 000	6	
		(l) \$450 000	6	
(m) \$500 000 or more	6			

Preliminary stage	Factors applicable	Cutoff scores	Maximum
Applicant without a spouse	All, except 7, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3	40 points	84
Applicant with a spouse	All, except 4.1, 4.2, 4.3	48 points	101

  

Selection	Factors applicable	Cutoff scores	Maximum
Applicant without a spouse	All, except 7	50 points	94
Applicant with a spouse	All	58 points	111

## SCHEDULE IV

### ENTREPRENEUR

Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
1. Training	1.1 Schooling	(a) secondary diploma	3	11
		(b) 1-year postsecondary diploma	4	
		(c) 2-year postsecondary diploma	5	
		(d) 3-year postsecondary diploma	7	
		(e) 1-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(f) 2-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(g) 3-year undergraduate university degree	8	
		(h) 4-year or more undergraduate university degree	9	
		(i) master's degree	11	
		(j) doctorate	11	



Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
	1.2 Second specialty	(a) 1 year (b) 2 years	2 4	4
	1.3 Preferred training	(a) university (b) other	4 4	4
3. Experience	3.2 Management experience (cutoff score = 6)	(a) 6 months (b) 1 year (c) 1 year and a half (d) 2 years (e) 2 years and a half (f) 3 years (g) 3 years and a half (h) 4 years (i) 4 years and a half (j) 5 years and more	0 0 0 0 0 6 7 8 9 10	10
4. Adaptability	4.1 Personal qualities		0 to 6	6
	4.2 Motivation		0 to 2	2
	4.3 Knowledge of Québec		0 to 2	2
	4.4 Stay in Québec	(a) full-time studies during one semester (b) full-time studies during at least two semesters or more (c) employment whose duration equals at least three months (d) employment whose duration equals at least six months (e) training period of at least three months under a bilateral agreement (f) training period of at least six months under a bilateral agreement (g) other stay whose duration equals two weeks and at most three months (h) other stay whose duration exceeds three months	4 6 4 6 5 6 1 3	6
	4.5 Relationship with Québec	(a) spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister (b) grandfather, grandmother (c) relative or friend	3 2 1	3
5. Age	20 to 22 years 23 to 30 years 31 years 32 years 33 years 34 years 35 years 36 years 37 years 38 years		10 10 10 10 10 10 10 8 6 4	10

Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
	39 years		2	
	40 to 45 years		1	
6. Knowledge of languages	6.1 French	(a) comprehension	8	16
		(b) verbal skills	8	
		(c) reading skills	0	
		(d) studies in French – secondary	2	2
		(e) studies in French – postsecondary	2	
	6.2 English	(a) comprehension	0 to 3	6
		(b) verbal skills	0 to 3	
9. Financial autonomy capacity		1 month	0	1
		3 months and more	1	
(cutoff score = 1)				
10. Financial resources	Net assets	(a) \$50 000	0	10
		(b) \$75 000	0	
		(c) \$100 000	0	
(cutoff score = 4)		(d) \$125 000	0	
		(e) \$150 000	0	
		(f) \$175 000	0	
		(g) \$200 000	4	
		(h) \$250 000	5	
		(i) \$300 000	6	
		(j) \$350 000	7	
		(k) \$400 000	8	
		(l) \$450 000	9	
		(m) \$500 000 or more	10	
11. Aptitudes to carry out a business project		(a) Knowledge of Québec	0 to 6	6
		(b) Market prospection	0 to 6	6
		(c) Financial resources	0 to 6	6
		(d) Feasibility and relevancy	0 to 12	12
(cutoff score = 18)				
<b>Preliminary stage</b>	<b>Factors applicable</b>	<b>Cutoff score</b>	<b>Maximum</b>	
Applicant with or without a spouse	All, except 11, 4.1, 4.2, 4.3	11 points	83	
<b>Selection</b>	<b>Factors applicable</b>	<b>Cutoff score</b>	<b>Maximum</b>	
Applicant with or without a spouse	All	50 points	123	

**SCHEDULE V****INVESTOR**

<b>Factors</b>	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Weighting</b>	<b>Maximum per criterion</b>	
1. Training	1.1 Schooling	(a) secondary diploma	3	11
		(b) 1-year postsecondary diploma	4	
		(c) 2-year postsecondary diploma	5	
		(d) 3-year postsecondary diploma	7	
		(e) 1-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(f) 2-year undergraduate university degree	7	
		(g) 3-year undergraduate university degree	8	
		(h) 4-year or more undergraduate university degree	9	
		(i) master's degree	11	
		(j) doctorate	11	
	1.2 Second specialty	(a) 1 year	2	4
		(b) 2 years or more	4	
	1.3 Preferred training	(a) university	4	4
		(b) other	4	
3. Experience	3.2 Management experience (cutoff score = 6)	(a) 6 months	0	10
		(b) 1 year	0	
		(c) 1 year and a half	0	
		(d) 2 years	0	
		(e) 2 years and a half	0	
		(f) 3 years	6	
		(g) 3 years and a half	7	
		(h) 4 years	8	
		(i) 4 years and a half	9	
		(j) 5 years and more	10	
4. Adaptability	4.1 Personal qualities		0 to 6	6
	4.2 Motivation		0 to 2	2
	4.3 Knowledge of Québec		0 to 2	2
	4.4 Stay in Québec	(a) full-time studies during one semester	4	6
		(b) full-time studies during at least two semesters or more	6	
		(c) employment whose duration equals at least three months	4	
		(d) employment whose duration equals at least six months	6	
		(e) training period of at least three months under a bilateral agreement	5	
(f) training period of at least six months under a bilateral agreement	6			
(g) other stay whose duration equals two weeks and at most three months	1			
(h) other stay whose duration exceeds three months	3			

Factors	Criteria	Weighting	Maximum per criterion	
	4.5 Relationship with Québec	(a) spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister	3	3
		(b) grandfather, grandmother	2	
		(c) relative or friend	1	
5. Age	20 to 22 years		10	10
	23 to 30 years		10	
	31 years		10	
	32 years		10	
	33 years		10	
	34 years		10	
	35 years		10	
	36 years		8	
	37 years		6	
	38 years		4	
	39 years		2	
	40 to 45 years		1	
6. Knowledge of languages	6.1 French	(a) comprehension	8	16
		(b) verbal skills	8	
		(c) reading skills	0	
		(d) studies in French – secondary	2	2
		(e) studies in French – postsecondary	2	
	6.2 English	(a) comprehension	0 to 3	6
		(b) verbal skills	0 to 3	
12. Investment agreement		In compliance with Regulation	30	30
(cutoff score = 30)				
Selection	Factors applicable	Cutoff score	Maximum	
Applicant with or without a spouse	All	45 points	112	

2. Section 2 is deleted.

3. This Regulation comes into force on 17 September 2001.