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Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26)

### Denturologists and dental technicians

— Dental prosthesis laboratory management permit

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 respecting the dental prosthesis laboratory management permit was adopted by the Office des professions du Québec. The Regulation, the text of which appears below, may be submitted to the Government which may approve it with or without amendment, pursuant to section 13 of the Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26), upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

In order to be properly advised on the preparation of those standards, the Office has consulted resource persons from the dental sector.

The purpose of the Regulation is to establish standards for the issue and holding of the permit, as well as standards for the operation of a laboratory equipped to make or repair prosthesis and dental appliances. According to the Office des professions du Québec, it will ensure the protection of the public by prescribing, among other things, the minimum training and experience that the director of a dental prosthesis laboratory must have and the continuous education requirements that the director must satisfy, as well as a quality control program for the appliances, equipment, technical processes and materials used, as well as asepsis rules.

The Regulation will have no financial impact on businesses, including small and medium-sized businesses. However, the proposed standards will further regulate the operation of dental prosthesis laboratories.

Further information on the proposed Regulation may be obtained by contacting Lucie Boissonneault, Direction de la recherche et de la coordination, Office des professions du Québec, 800, place d'Youville, 10° étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3, tel. (418) 643-6912, fax: (418) 643-0973.

Any person having comments to make is asked to send them, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to the Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, at the abovementioned address. Comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions; they may also be forwarded to the professional orders concerned, as well as to interested persons, departments and bodies.

JEAN-K. SAMSON, Chair of the Office des professions du Québec

# Regulation respecting the dental prosthesis laboratory management permit

Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 187.7)

## **DIVISION I**ISSUANCE STANDARDS

- **1.** The Bureau of the Ordre professionnel des denturologistes du Québec or that of the Ordre professionel des techniciens et techniciennes dentaires du Québec shall issue a dental prosthesis laboratory management permit to each of its members who applies therefore and who meets the standards of the Professional Code (R.S.Q., c. C-26) and this Regulation.
- **2.** The member shall have received a college-level training comprising at least all the following hours of theoretical and practical education:
- (1) 450 hours in the manufacturing of removable acrylic prostheses;
  - (2) 165 hours in the manufacturing of cast frames;
- (3) 120 hours in the manufacturing of removable appliances over implants;
- (4) 120 hours in the manufacturing of fixed appliances over implants;
- (5) 600 hours in the manufacturing of fixed prostheses; and
- (6) 120 hours in the manufacturing of orthodontic appliances.

#### **3.** The member shall also

- (1) have acquired, in the five years preceding the application but after having completed the training required by this Regulation, at least two years of experience in the manufacturing and repair of dental prostheses or appliances;
- (2) furnish a security for liability the member may incur owing to fault or negligence committed in the operation of the member's laboratory, including the minimum conditions provided for in the Regulation made pursuant to paragraph d of section 93 of the Professional Code by the order of which the person is a member.
- **4.** Members who cannot meet all the training requirements provided for in section 2 may nonetheless obtain a permit if they provide the secretary of their order with a written undertaking to limit the operation of their laboratories to the manufacturing and repair of dental prostheses or appliances for which they have the required training.
- **5.** The Bureau of the Ordre professionnel des techniciens et techniciennes dentaires du Québec shall issue a permit to a person referred to in the second paragraph of section 187.8 of the Professional Code who furnishes the security provided for in paragraph 2 of section 3.

## **DIVISION II**OPERATION STANDARDS

- **6.** A permit holder shall ensure compliance with the ethical and technical aspects related to the operation of the laboratory. The permit holder shall, in particular, apply a quality control program comprising the following aspects:
- (1) the maintenance and testing of the apparatus and equipment used, recorded in a register that must be kept for five years;
  - (2) control of technical processes and materials used;
- (3) infection prevention and control measures, in particular asepsis rules and rules for the disinfection and decontamination of products; and
  - (4) health and safety measures at work.
- **7.** For each prescription filled, a permit holder shall keep a record for five years, containing the following items and particulars:

- (1) the prescription and the information or code identifying the patient;
- (2) the working sheet, comprising the identification of the dental appliance and its specific features mentioned in the prescription;
- (3) a description of the materials used with their standard references when available; and
  - (4) a copy of the certificate referred to in section 8.
- **8.** A permit holder shall certify in writing to the person who wrote the prescription that the dental appliance delivered complies with recognized standards of practice and the requirements of the prescription.

#### DIVISION III

HOLDING , SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION STANDARDS

- **9.** A permit shall be issued for a term of five years and it may be renewed on the same conditions as for its issuance. It may not be transferred.
- **10.** A permit holder shall take part in the continuous education activities determined by regulation of the Bureau of the professional order that issued the licence.
- **11.** A person referred to in the second paragraph of section 187.8 of the Professional Code and holding the permit is subject to the provisions of sections 54, 55, 55.1, 57, 59.3, 60.1 to 60.6 and 112 to 114 of the Professional Code, as if the person was a member of the Ordre professionnel des techniciens et techniciennes dentaires du Québec.

Likewise, that permit holder is also subject to the regulatory provisions respecting professional inspection and ethics applicable to the members of that order.

That order shall ensure that the permit holder complies with this Regulation and the applicable provisions of the Professional Code.

- **12.** The Bureau of the professional order involved shall suspend, for the time determined by it, revoke or refuse to renew the permit if the permit holder
  - (1) makes a false statement to obtain the permit;
- (2) no longer meets one of the requirements for the issue or holding of the permit;

- (3) is struck off the roll of his or her order, whose permit to practise the profession is revoked or whose right to engage in professional activities is restricted or suspended;
- (4) has been the subject of a decision referred to in section 55 or subparagraphs 1 to 8 of the first paragraph of section 55.1 of the Professional Code;
  - (5) contravenes the undertaking given under section 4;
- (6) does not take part in a continuous education activity referred to in section 10;
- (7) contravenes any applicable provision of the Professional Code, in the case of a person referred to in the second paragraph of section 187.8 of the Code; or
  - (8) contravenes any provision of this Regulation.
- **13.** The Bureau of the order issuing a permit shall keep a register of permit holders. Upon request, it shall indicate whether a person holds a permit and the activities that are the subject of an undertaking given under section 4.
- **14.** A member of the Ordre professionnel des techniciens et techniciennes dentaires du Québec on (enter the date of coming into force of this Regulation) is deemed to have completed all the training referred to in section 2.
- **15.** 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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