

4. 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

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

Occupational therapists

— Code of ethics
— Amendment

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 Code of ethics of occupational therapists, adopted by the Bureau of the Ordre des ergothérapeutes du Québec, may be submitted to the Government for approval, with or without amendment, upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to amend the Code of ethics of occupational therapists to introduce provisions stating the terms and conditions according to which a professional may communicate information that is protected by professional secrecy to prevent an act of violence.

These provisions are required by the Act to amend various legislative provisions as regards the disclosure of confidential information to protect individuals (2001, c. 78). That Act permits the lifting of professional secrecy to prevent an act of violence, including a suicide, when the professional has grounds to believe that there is an imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury to a person or an identifiable group of persons. However, the communication must be limited to such information as is necessary to achieve the purposes for which the information is communicated, and the information may only be communicated to a person exposed to the danger, to that person's representative, or to the persons who can come to that person's aid.

The Order expects the proposed amendments to have no impact on businesses, in particular on small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Christiane-L. Charbonneau, Director General and Secretary, 2021, avenue Union, bureau 920, Montréal (Québec) H3A 2S9, telephone: (514) 844-5778 or 1 800 265-5778; fax: (514) 844-0478.

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, 800, place D'Youville, 10^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3. The comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister responsible for the administration of legislation respecting the professions; they may also be communicated to the professional order that adopted the Regulation as well as to any interested persons, departments, bodies or agencies.

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

Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of occupational therapists*

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 87)

1. The Code of ethics of occupational therapists is amended by inserting the following after section 3.06.06:

“**3.06.07.** In addition to the cases provided for in section 3.06.02, an occupational therapist may communicate information that is protected by professional secrecy to prevent an act of violence, including a suicide, where the occupational therapist has reasonable cause to believe that there is an imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury to a person or an identifiable group of persons.

However, the occupational therapist may only communicate the information to a person exposed to the danger, or that person's representative, or to the persons who can come to that person's aid.

The occupational therapist may only communicate such information as is necessary to achieve the purposes for which the information is communicated, in particular the identity of the person in danger, the identity, address and telephone number of the person uttering threats as well as the nature of those threats, and the circumstances in which they were uttered.

3.06.08. An occupational therapist who, pursuant to section 3.06.07, communicates information must enter the following particulars in the client's record:

* The Code of ethics of occupational therapists (R.R.Q., 1981, c. C-26, r.78) was amended only once by the Regulation approved by Order in Council 1015-98 dated 5 August 1998 (1998, *G.O.* 2, 3677).

(1) the identity of the person or group of persons exposed to the danger, the identified danger and the act of violence that the information intended to prevent; and

(2) the identity of the person to whom the information was given, specifying, as the case may be, if a person or persons were exposed to the danger, the identity of their representative or the persons who can come to that person's aid, the date and time of the communication, the information that was communicated and the mode of communication.”.

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

Securities Act
(R.S.Q., c. V-1.1)

Securities — 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 Securities Regulation, the text of which appears below, may be submitted to the Government for approval, with or without amendment, upon the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to amend the Securities Regulation so as to harmonize it with the other amendments that will be made to the Regulation by the Commission des valeurs mobilières du Québec pursuant to section 331.1 of the Securities Act, those amendments not being subject to the application of certain provisions of the Regulations Act.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Maurice Lalancette, Directeur, Réglementation et suivi du secteur financier, ministère des Finances, de l'Économie et de la Recherche, 800, place D'Youville, 17^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 3P4. Telephone: (418) 646-7420; fax: (418) 646-5744.

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 Finance, the Economy and Research, 12, rue Saint-Louis, 1^{er} étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5L3.

PAULINE MAROIS,
*Minister of Finance, the Economy
and Research*

Regulation to amend the Securities Regulation *

Securities Act
(R.S.Q., c. V-1.1, s. 331, 1st par., subpar. 9)

1. Section 271.2 of the Securities Regulation is amended

(1) by substituting “may avail itself of the simplified prospectus regime” for “satisfies the conditions prescribed in section 164, 165 or 166” in paragraph 1;

(2) by striking out “, but which is required to file the annual information form prescribed in section 159” in paragraph 3;

(3) by striking out paragraph 5;

(4) by substituting “4” for “5” in paragraph 6;

(5) by substituting “statement of material change” for “copy of the press release” in paragraph 9.

2. Section 271.6 is amended by substituting “or a regulation” for “, the Regulation or a policy statement” in paragraph 1.

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* The Securities Regulation, made by Order in Council 660-83 dated 30 March 1983 (1983, *G.O.* 2, 1269), was last amended by the regulations approved by Orders in Council 1247-2001 dated 17 October 2001 (2001, *G.O.* 2, 5760) and 52-2003 dated 22 January 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 856). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Éditeur officiel du Québec, 2002, updated to 1 September 2002.