

15. Sections 133 and 134, the first paragraph of section 135 and section 136 are revoked.

16. The following is inserted after section 138:

“**138.1.** The second paragraph of section 10 and section 22.1 of this Regulation apply only to applications for conversion filed after (*insert the date of coming into force of this Regulation*), but before (*insert the date occurring two years after the date of coming into force of this Regulation*).”.

17. 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

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1)

Operating permits for wood processing plants — 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 operating permits for wood processing plants, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to include plants that manufacture mulch and absorbents such as bedding from round timber in the classes of wood processing plants, and to exclude plants that use 2,000 cubic metres or less of timber from those classes.

The impact on businesses is as follows: a new class of plants will need to obtain an operating permit and plants that use 2,000 cubic metres or less of timber will no longer need to obtain a permit.

Any interested person having comments to make on the draft Regulation is asked to send them in writing, before the expiry of the 45-day period, to Marc Ledoux, Associate Deputy Minister for Forests, Ministère des Ressources naturelles, de la Faune et des Parcs, 880, chemin Sainte-Foy, 10^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1S 4X4.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting operating permits for wood processing plants*

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1, s. 172, 1st par., subpar. 16)

1. Section 1 of the Regulation respecting operating permits for wood processing plants is amended

(1) by replacing “the classes of wood processing plants are:” in the first sentence by “only wood processing plants in any of the following classes are considered to be wood processing plants transforming more than 2,000 cubic metres of timber annually:”;

(2) by adding “, mulch and absorbents such as bedding” at the end of paragraph 7.

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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* The Regulation respecting operating permits for wood processing plants, made by Order in Council 908-88 dated 8 June 1988 (1988, *G.O.* 2, 2351), was last amended by the regulation made by Order in Council 861-2003 dated 20 August 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 2725). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Québec Official Publisher, 2004, updated to 1 March 2004.