

## Draft Regulations

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### Draft Regulation

Animal Health Protection Act  
(R.S.Q., c. P-42)

#### Inscription affixed on hives

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 inscription affixed on hives, the text of which appears below, may be made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of the draft Regulation is to require every owner of hives to affix on each hive an inscription identifying the owner, and to determine the form and tenor of the inscription.

To date, study of the matter has shown no significant financial impact on businesses, in particular, small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Martine Dubuc, Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 11<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4X6; telephone: (418) 380-2100; fax: (418) 380-2169.

Any person wishing to comment on the matter may do so by submitting written comments before the expiry of the 45-day period to the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 12<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4X6.

*Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food,*  
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### Regulation respecting the inscription affixed on hives

Animal Health Protection Act  
(R.S.Q., c. P-42, s. 11.14, par. 2)

**1.** Every owner of hives must affix and maintain on each hive, other than a hive that is stored and has never been occupied by bees, an inscription in permanent and clearly legible characters at least 1 centimetre high indicating his or her name, address of domicile or address of the principal establishment in Québec.

**2.** Every owner of hives on the date of coming into force of this Regulation has two months to comply with section 1.

**3.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 2005.  
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### Draft Regulation

Animal Health Protection Act  
(R.S.Q., c. P-42)

#### Registration of beekeepers

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 registration of beekeepers, 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, to the extent and on the terms and conditions it fixes, is to require beekeepers who own *Apis mellifera* bees to register with the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and to determine the information to be kept by them and the registration fees.

To date, study of the matter has shown no significant financial impact on businesses, in particular small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Martine Dubuc, Director, Institut national de santé animale, Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation, 200, chemin Sainte-Foy, 11<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4X6; telephone: (418) 380-2100; fax: (418) 380-2169.

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FRANÇOISE GAUTHIER,  
*Minister of Agriculture,*  
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## Regulation respecting the registration of beekeepers

Animal Health Protection Act  
(R.S.Q., c. P-42, s. 3.0.1, 1st par.)

**1.** Every beekeeper who owns *Apis mellifera* bees must register with the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

**2.** Every beekeeper must provide to the Minister, on the form furnished by the Minister, an application for registration stating,

(1) in the case of a natural person: the beekeeper's name, address of domicile or postal address, if different from the address of domicile, and telephone number;

(2) in the case of a sole proprietorship, a partnership or a legal person: its name, address of its principal establishment in Québec or postal address, if different from the address of the principal establishment, the registration number assigned to it under the Act respecting the legal publicity of sole proprietorships, partnerships and legal persons (R.S.Q., c. P-45), and telephone number;

(3) the number of hives occupied by bees owned by the beekeeper;

(4) a description of the location of the hives with sufficient detail to locate them and mention of the wintering site, production site and pollination site; and

(5) the type of activities carried on by the beekeeper, including the sale of bees and the movement of hives for pollination purposes.

Beekeepers must certify the accuracy of the information entered on the form and sign it.

Beekeepers must also notify the Minister, within 30 days, of any change in the information provided under subparagraphs 1 and 2 of the first paragraph.

**3.** Beekeepers must send with the form a cheque or money order in the amount of \$15 made out to the Minister of Finance.

The registration is effective on the date on which the cheque or money order is cashed. The registration fee is not refundable.

The amount is adjusted on 1 April of each year, as of 1 April 2007, on the basis of the rate of increase in the general Consumer Price Index for Canada for the period

ending on 30 September of the preceding year, as determined by Statistics Canada.

The Minister shall inform the public of the result of the indexing under the second paragraph by publishing the result in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and, where the Minister considers it appropriate, by any other means.

**4.** Beekeepers must maintain and keep at his or her domicile or, as the case may be, at its principal establishment in Québec, a record containing the following information:

(1) for every purchase, rental or loan of bees: the date, quantity and place of origin of the bees and the name and address of the person from whom they were obtained;

(2) for every disposal, rental or loan of bees: the date, quantity, place of destination of the bees and the name and address of the recipient;

(3) for every loss of bees: the date, number of colonies lost and the circumstances of the loss and the symptoms observed;

(4) for every movement of occupied hives: the date, number of hives moved and the places of departure and destination of the hives; and

(5) for every treatment given to bees: the date, duration, type of treatment, number of hives treated and their location.

The owner must keep a copy of the form that was sent to the Minister with the record. The owner must also keep the record for at least five years from the date of the last entry and make it available to any person referred to in section 55.10 of the Animal Health Protection Act (R.S.Q., c. P-42).

**5.** Registration is renewed between 1 April and 1 June of each year in the manner prescribed by sections 2 and 3.

**6.** Every beekeeper on the date of coming into force of this Regulation has two months to register with the Minister in accordance with section 2.

**7.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 April 2005, except section 3 which comes into force on 1 April 2006.

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