

Despite the first paragraph, a person may snorkel or scuba dive anywhere in the controlled zone in the performance of duties.

DIVISION VI.2 INDEXING

20.2. As of 1 April 2007, the maximum amounts of the fees payable for fishing, set in accordance with section 15, are indexed annually by applying to their value for the preceding year the annual percentage change, calculated for the month of June of the preceding year, in the Consumer Price Index for Canada, not seasonally adjusted (recreation component), as published by Statistics Canada.

The Minister shall inform the citizens of the result of the indexing under this section through Part I of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or by such other means as the Minister considers appropriate.”

6. Section 21 is amended by replacing “15 or 16” by “15, 16 or 20.1”.

7. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

6861

Draft Regulation

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife
(R.S.Q., c. C-61.1)

Wildlife sanctuaries — 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 Regulation respecting wildlife sanctuaries, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of this draft Regulation is to facilitate the management of wildlife sanctuaries established on salmon rivers. It prohibits swimming and snorkelling or scuba diving in the locations in the sanctuary where a prohibition is posted to that effect, except if a person is doing so in the performance of duties.

To date, study of the matter shows a positive impact for salmon fishing users. The restriction concerning swimming, snorkelling and scuba diving will have a negative impact on the persons who use the rivers for that purpose and on a diving equipment rental enterprise. Customers will be directed to salmon pools in the Rivière Cascapédia Wildlife Sanctuary.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Michel Jean, Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, Direction des territoires fauniques et de la réglementation, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 11^e étage, boîte 96 Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7; telephone: (418) 521-3880, ext. 4095; fax: (418) 646-5179; e-mail: michel.jean@fapaq.gouv.qc.ca

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 George Arsenault, Associate Deputy Minister for Faune Québec, Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 10^e étage, boîte 93, Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7.

PIERRE CORBEIL,
Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting wildlife sanctuaries*

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife
(R.S.Q., c. C-61.1, s. 121, par. 4)

1. The Regulation respecting wildlife sanctuaries is amended by inserting the following after Division V:

“DIVISION V.1 RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

23.1. In a wildlife sanctuary where there is salmon fishing, no person may swim, snorkel or scuba dive in the locations in the sanctuary where a prohibition to that effect is posted.

* The Regulation respecting wildlife sanctuaries, made by Order in Council 859-99 dated 28 July 1999 (1999, *G.O.* 2, 2432), was last amended by the regulation made by Order in Council 1186-2003 dated 12 November 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 3353). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Québec Official Publisher, 2005, updated to 1 March 2005.

Despite the first paragraph, a person may snorkel or scuba dive anywhere in the sanctuary in the performance of duties.”

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

6860