

Draft Regulations

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Optometry Act
(R.S.Q., c. O-7)

Optometrists

— **Permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care**

— **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 amending the Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and the holding of a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medications for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care,” adopted by the Bureau of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec, may be submitted to the government, which may approve it, with or without amendment, upon expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of this regulation is to amend, in application of the second paragraph of section 19.2 of the Optometry Act (R.S.Q., c. O-7), the standards for the issue and holding of a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe to his patient medications for therapeutic purposes and to provide eye care.

According to the Ordre des optométristes du Québec, this regulation has no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting M^r Marco Laverdière, Executive Director and Secretary, Ordre des optométristes du Québec, 1265, rue Berri, local 700, Montréal (Québec) H2L 4X4, tel: 514 499-0524; fax: 514 499-1051.

Any person having comments to make is asked to send them, before this period expires, to the President of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D’Youville, 10^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3. These comments will be conveyed by the Office to the minister responsible for the application of legislation respecting the professions; they may also be sent to the professional order that has adopted the regulation and to interested persons, departments and organizations.

JEAN PAUL DUTRISAC,
*Chair of the Office des
professions du Québec*

Regulation amending the Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of permits authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medication for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care *

Optometry Act
(R.S.Q., c. O-7, s. 19.2)

1. The Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of the permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medication for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care is amended by replacing section 2 with the following:

“**2.** The permit is also issued to a member of the Ordre des optométristes who meets the other conditions prescribed in section 1, even if he has completed his training prior to the period referred to in paragraph 4 of that section or it is not of the level referred to in that paragraph, provided that he meets one of the following conditions:

* The Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of the permit authorizing an optometrist to administer and prescribe medication for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care, approved by Order-in-Council No. 1024-2003 of September 24, 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 4609) has not been amended since its approval

1. he participates in the training program and passes the examination provided for in sections 3 to 7;

2. he is holder of legal authorization outside Québec to administer and prescribe medication for therapeutic purposes and provide eye care according to terms and conditions comparable to those specified by the regulation adopted under the second paragraph of section 19.4 of the Optometry Act.”.

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

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Optometrists

— Permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medications

— 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 amending the Regulation respecting the equivalence standards for the issue and holding of a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medications,” adopted by the Bureau of the Ordre des optométristes du Québec, may be submitted to the government, which may approve it, with or without amendment, upon expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The purpose of this regulation is to amend, in application of the first paragraph of section 19.2 of the Optometry Act (R.S.Q., c. O-7), the standards for the issue and holding of a permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medications to his patients.

According to the Ordre des optométristes du Québec, this regulation has no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

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Regulation amending the Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of the permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medication *

Optometry Act
(R.S.Q., c. O-7, s. 19.2)

1. The Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of the permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medication is amended by the replacement, in paragraph 3 of section 1, of “a diploma considered” by “as part of another recognized training program.”

2. This regulation is amended by replacing section 2 with the following:

“**2.** The permit is also issued to a member of the Ordre des optométristes who meets the other conditions prescribed in section 1, even if he received his training prior to the period referred to in paragraph 3 of that section or his training is not of the level referred to in that paragraph, provided that he meets one of the following conditions:

1. he participates in the training program and passes the examination provided for in section 3 to 7;

2. he is holder of legal authorization outside Québec to administer medication for eye examination purposes according to terms and conditions comparable to those specified by the regulation adopted under the first paragraph of section 19.4 of the Optometry Act.”.

* The Regulation respecting the standards for the issue and holding of the permit authorizing an optometrist to administer medication, approved by Order-in-Council No. 1452-95 of November 8, 1995 (1995, *G.O.* 2, 4726) has not been amended since its approval