

Draft Regulations

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines
(R.S.Q., c. L-6)

An Act respecting racing
(R.S.Q., c. C-72.1)

An Act respecting liquor permits
(R.S.Q., c. P-9.1)

An Act respecting safety in sports
(R.S.Q., c. S-3.1)

Adjustment of fees

— Various regulations
— 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 amusement machines, the Regulation to amend the Lottery Schemes Regulation, the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting Standardbred horse racing, the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the duties and fees payable for licences, registration and authorization regarding video lotteries, the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting bingo and the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting betting houses, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication. The Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting duties and costs payable under the Act respecting liquor permits and the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting combat sports licensing, appearing below, may also be made by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux and approved by the Government on the expiry of the 45-day period.

The draft Regulations amend respectively the Regulation respecting amusement machines (c. L-6, r. 1.), the Lottery Schemes Regulation (c. L-6, r. 11), the Regulation respecting Standardbred horse racing (c. C-72.1, r. 2), the Regulation respecting the duties and fees payable for licences, registration and authorization regarding video lotteries (c. L-6, r. 7), the Regulation respecting bingo (c. L-6, r. 4), the Regulation respecting betting houses (c. C-72.1, r. 7), the Regulation respecting duties and costs payable under the Act respecting liquor permits (c. P-9.1, r. 3) and the Regulation respecting combat sports licensing (c. S-3.1, r. 7) to provide for the annual adjustment of the payable duties and fees and standardize the rules for rounding off the adjusted amounts.

Study of the matter has shown no major impact on the public and enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

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Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulations is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Johanne Lamontagne, Secretary, Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, 560, boulevard Charest Est, 2^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1K 3J3.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting amusement machines

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines
(R.S.Q., c. L-6, s. 119, 1st par., subpars. *c* and *e*)

1. The Regulation respecting amusement machines (c. L-6, r. 1) is amended by inserting the following after section 10:

“**11.** The duties and fees payable under sections 2, 2.1 and 2.4 are adjusted on 1 January of each year, based on the percentage change in the All-Items Consumer Price Index for Canada, for the 12-month period ending on 30 September of the preceding year, as determined by Statistics Canada. The adjustment rate may not be less than zero.

The adjusted duties and fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.

For the purposes of the first paragraph, the board is to publish each year, after their determination, the new duties and fees by means of a notice in Part 1 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and, if the board considers it appropriate, by any other means.”.

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

Regulation to amend the Lottery Schemes Regulation

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines
(R.S.Q., c. L-6, s. 119, 1st par., subpar. c)

1. The Lottery Schemes Regulation (c. L-6, r. 11) is amended by inserting the following after section 13:

“**13.1.** The duties and fees payable under this Regulation, except the variable duties referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 4.1, are adjusted on 1 January of each year, based on the percentage change in the All-Items Consumer Price Index for Canada, for the 12-month period ending on 30 September of the preceding year, as determined by Statistics Canada. The adjustment rate may not be less than zero.

The adjusted duties and fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.

For the purposes of the first paragraph, the board is to publish each year, after their determination, the new duties and fees by means of a notice in Part 1 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and, if the board considers it appropriate, by any other means.”.

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

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting Standardbred horse racing

An Act respecting racing
(R.S.Q., c. C-72.1, s. 105, par. 4)

1. The Regulation respecting Standardbred horse racing (c. C-72.1, r. 2) is amended in its section 4:

(1) by striking out “from 1 April 1984” in the table in paragraph 1;

(2) by striking out “from 1 April 1984” in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4.

2. The Regulation is amended by inserting the following after section 21:

“**21.1.** The duties and fees payable under this Regulation are adjusted on 1 January of each year, based on the percentage change in the All-Items Consumer Price Index for Canada, for the 12-month period ending on 30 September of the preceding year, as determined by Statistics Canada. The adjustment rate may not be less than zero.

The adjusted duties and fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.

For the purposes of the first paragraph, the board is to publish each year, after their determination, the new duties and fees by means of a notice in Part 1 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and, if the board considers it appropriate, by any other means.”.

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

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting duties and costs payable under the Act respecting liquor permits

An Act respecting liquor permits
(R.S.Q., c. P-9.1, s. 114, par. 4)

1. The Regulation respecting duties and costs payable under the Act respecting liquor permits (c. P-9.1, r. 3) is amended by replacing section 9 by the following:

“**9.** The duties and costs prescribed in sections 1 and 2 to 7.1 are adjusted on 1 April of each year, based on the percentage change in the All-Items Consumer Price Index for Canada, for the preceding year. The change is calculated on the basis of the ratio between the index for the preceding year and the index for the year preceding that year. The index for a given year is the average of the monthly indexes published by Statistics Canada. The adjustment rate may not be less than zero.

The adjusted duties and costs are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.”.

2. Section 9.1 is revoked.

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

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the duties and fees payable for licences, registration and authorization regarding video lotteries

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines
(R.S.Q., c. L-6, s. 119, 1st par., subpar. c)

1. The Regulation respecting the duties and fees payable for licences, registration and authorization regarding video lotteries (c. L-6, r. 7) is amended in its section 5:

(1) by replacing the second paragraph by the following:

“The adjusted duties and fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.”

(2) by striking out “as soon of possible” in the third paragraph.

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

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting bingo

An Act respecting lotteries, publicity contests and amusement machines
(R.S.Q., c. L-6, s. 119, 1st par., subpar. c)

1. The Regulation respecting bingo (c. L-6, r. 4) is amended in its section 21:

(1) by replacing the second paragraph by the following:

“The adjusted duties and fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.”

(2) by striking out “as soon of possible” in the third paragraph.

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

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting betting houses

An Act respecting racing
(R.S.Q., c. C-72.1, s. 105, par. 4)

1. The Regulation respecting betting houses (c. C-72.1, r. 7) is amended by replacing the second paragraph of section 8 by the following:

“The adjusted fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.”

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

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting combat sports licensing

An Act respecting safety in sports
(R.S.Q., c. S-3.1, s. 55.3, 1st par., subpar. 2)

1. The Regulation respecting combat sports licensing (c. S-3.1, r. 7) is amended by replacing the second paragraph of section 36 by the following:

“The adjusted duties and fees are rounded off as follows:

(1) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.01 and \$0.25, they are increased by \$0.25;

(2) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.25 and \$0.50, they are increased by \$0.50;

(3) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is between \$0.50 and \$1.00, they are increased by \$1.00; and

(4) where the annual increase resulting from the adjustment is greater than \$1.00,

(a) they are reduced to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar less than \$0.50; or

(b) they are increased to the nearest dollar if they contain a fraction of a dollar equal to or greater than \$0.50.”.

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