

28. Schedule 8.B is replaced by the following:

“SCHEDULE 8.B

(ss. 8.5.1 and 8.7.2)

COLOUR GRADES OF “GRADE A” MAPLE SYRUP

1. The determination of the light transmission of “Grade A” maple syrup is made with a spectrophotometer equipped with optical cells with parallel windows having a 10 mm path length at a wavelength of 560 nm, the colour values being expressed in percentage of light transmission, using as a reference glycerol with an analytical purity representing 100% of transmission.

2. “Grade A” maple syrup is of the colour Grade mentioned in column I of the table where its percentage of light transmission corresponds to that of column II.

Column I Colour grade	Column II Percentage of light transmission	
Golden, delicate taste	not less than	75.0
Amber, rich taste	less than but at least	75.0 50.0
Dark, robust taste	less than but at least	50.0 25.0
Very dark, strong taste	less than	25.0

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29. The marketing of a maple product meeting the provisions of Chapter 8 of the Regulation respecting food as it read prior to the coming into force of this Regulation is allowed until 12 December 2016.

30. 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

An Act respecting municipal taxation
(chapter F-2.1)

**Equalization scheme
— Amendment**

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the equalization scheme, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Regulation respecting the equalization scheme (chapter F-2.1, r. 11) to shift the equalization amounts more to small municipalities whose property value is low. An amount of 5.2 M\$ will be transferred from the first part to the second part of the scheme and the threshold of the standardized property value used to determine eligibility to the first part will be established at 80%. The new formula will be applied gradually until 2019.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Bernard Guay, 10, rue Pierre-Olivier-Chauveau, 5^e étage, La Tour, Québec (Québec) G1R 4J3; telephone: 418 691-2035; fax: 418 643-4749.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy, 10, rue Pierre-Olivier-Chauveau, 4^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 4J3.

MARTIN COITEUX,
*Minister of Municipal Affairs and
Land Occupancy*

**Regulation to amend the Regulation
respecting the equalization scheme**

An Act respecting municipal taxation
(chapter F-2.1, s. 262, 1st par., subpar. 7)

1. The Regulation respecting the equalization scheme (chapter F-2.1, r. 11) is amended in section 4 by replacing “90%” in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph by “80%”.

2. Section 18 is amended by replacing “\$42,905,000 under the first part and \$17,095,000” in the first paragraph by “\$37,705,000 under the first part and \$22,295,000”.

3. Section 22 is amended by replacing “90%” in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph by “80%”.

4. The following is inserted after section 61:

**“DIVISION V.1
ADAPTATIONS APPLICABLE FOR THE FISCAL
YEARS 2016, 2017 AND 2018**

61.1. The adaptations provided for in this Division ensure, for the fiscal years 2016, 2017 and 2018, a gradual application of the equalization formula that would otherwise fully apply as of the fiscal year 2016. The adaptations apply for the purpose of determining, for each fiscal year, whether a municipality is eligible for an equalization payment and, where applicable, for the purpose of computing the equalization amount to which the municipality is entitled.

61.2. For each of those fiscal years, eligibility of a municipality and any equalization amount to which the municipality is entitled are determined according to the following rules:

(1) sections 4 to 32 are applied a first time with the adaptations provided for in the first paragraph of section 61.3 and any equalization amount resulting from the application is weighted in accordance with the second paragraph of that section;

(2) sections 4 to 32 are applied a second time, separately and independently from the first application, and any equalization amount resulting from that application is weighted in accordance with section 61.4;

(3) the total of both weighted amounts, obtained by applying the previous paragraphs, constitutes the equalization amount to which a municipality is entitled for the fiscal year concerned and is paid in accordance with section 33.

61.3. The adaptations to the first application of sections 4 to 32 are based on the equalization formula that applied to the fiscal year 2015. The adaptations are as follows:

(1) by replacing “80%” in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 4 by “90%”;

(2) by replacing “\$37,705,000 under the first part and \$22,295,000” in the first paragraph of section 18 by “\$42,905,000 under the first part and \$17,095,000”;

(3) by replacing “80%” in subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 22 by “90%”.

Each of the equalization amounts computed in the first application of sections 4 to 32 must be multiplied by the weighting factor corresponding to the fiscal year for which it is computed, namely,

(1) 0.75 for the fiscal year 2016;

(2) 0.5 for the fiscal year 2017;

(3) 0.25 for the fiscal year 2018.

61.4. The second application of sections 4 to 32 is based on the formula that will fully apply as of the fiscal year 2019 and each equalization amount computed during that application must be multiplied by the weighting factor corresponding to the fiscal year for which it is computed, namely,

(1) 0.25 for the fiscal year 2016;

(2) 0.5 for the fiscal year 2017;

(3) 0.75 for the fiscal year 2018.”.

5. 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

Professional Code
(chapter C-26.)

Physicians

—Professional activities that may be engaged in by an athletic therapist

—Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting certain professional activities that may be engaged in by an athletic therapist, adopted by the Board of Directors of the Collège des médecins du Québec, the text of which appears below, may be submitted to the government, which may approve it, with or without amendment, upon expiry of the 45 days that follow this publication.

The purpose of this draft Regulation is to extend the maturity date provided in section 6 in order to allow the athletic therapists to engage in their activities until they are integrated in the professional system.

The draft Regulation has no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting, Mre Linda Bélanger, Assistant Director of the Legal Services Division, Collège des médecins du Québec, 2170 René-Lévesque Blvd. West, Montréal (Québec) H3H 2T8; Telephone No.: 1 888 633-3246 or 514 933-4441, extension 5362; Fax No.: 514-933-3276; e-mail: lbelanger@cmq.org

Any person having comments is asked to send them, before the expiry period indicated above, to the Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, 800 Place D’Youville, 10th floor, Quebec City, Québec, G1R 5Z3. Comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister of Justice; they may also be sent to the Collège des médecins du Québec, as well as to interested persons, departments and organizations.

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