

Draft Regulations

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An Act respecting the Société des alcools du Québec (chapter S-13)

Purchase and bottling of spirits — 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 Purchase and Bottling of Spirits Regulation, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation amends the Purchase and Bottling of Spirits Regulation (chapter S-13, r. 1) to broaden its scope and to modernize it. It allows holders of distiller's permits to purchase and bottle the designated categories of spirits with the intention of selling them, in accordance with section 26 of the Act respecting the Société des alcools du Québec. The draft Regulation also proposes a review of the follow-up and monitoring procedures of the SAQ and the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux for a better and simpler application to holders of distiller's permits.

Study of the matter has shown no impact on the public and a moderate positive impact on small and medium-sized businesses.

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Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Finance, 12, rue Saint-Louis, Québec (Québec) G1R 5L3.

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Regulation to amend the Purchase and Bottling of Spirits Regulation

An Act respecting the Société des alcools du Québec (chapter S-13, ss. 26 and 37, 1st par., subpar. 1)

1. The Purchase and Bottling of Spirits Regulation (chapter S-13, r. 1) is amended in section 2 by replacing paragraphs 2 to 5 by the following:

- “(2) brandy;
- (3) cognac;
- (4) dry gin;
- (5) rum;
- (6) tequila or mescal;
- (7) vodka;
- (8) Scottish whisky;
- (9) Irish whisky.”

2. Section 4 is revoked.

3. Paragraph 3 of section 6 is replaced by the following:

“(3) the place of origin of the spirits identified as follows:

“product of (country of origin and name of spirits);”

4. Section 7 is revoked.

5. Section 8 is replaced by the following:

“**8.** The holder of a distiller's permit who indicates the origin of spirits in accordance with paragraph 3 of section 6 shall fulfil the following obligations:

(1) the permit holder shall keep, for later verification by the Régie des alcools, des courses et des jeux, identification of the seal affixed to the container of spirits at the time of shipping;

(2) the permit holder shall keep, for later verification by the board, upon arrival of the spirits in Québec, a government attestation of the country of origin indicating the origin, age and aging of the spirits;

(3) the permit holder shall be able to demonstrate, at the board's request, if the seal is broken, that the spirits correspond to the attestation accompanying them;

(4) the permit holder shall store the spirits in identified vats;

(5) the permit holder shall enter daily in a production register any activity of production, processing, mixing, decanting or bottling that involves spirits referred to in section 1;

(6) the permit holder shall be able to declare, at the board's request, before shipping the bottled spirits, the origin of the spirits and, in the case of a mixture of spirits from the same country, the proportion of each of the spirits used.”.

6. Section 9 is amended by inserting “or the lot number” after “date of bottling”.

7. 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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