

Draft Regulations

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An Act respecting occupational health and safety
(chapter S-2.1)

Occupational health and safety in mines — 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 occupational health and safety in mines, appearing below, may be made by the Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail and submitted to the Government for approval, in accordance with section 224 of the Act respecting occupational health and safety (chapter S-2.1), on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation provides for the requirement to be trained on the characteristics of a hoist. It also sets out new conditions to be met to board a locomotive or mechanical haulage equipment.

Study of the matter has shown a non-recurrent economic impact of about \$110,000 for training hoistmen on the characteristics of the equipment they will use and \$25,000 for the installation of foot-steps and handles on locomotives and cars of mechanical haulage equipment.

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Any person wishing to comment on the matter is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Claude Sicard, vice-president for partnership and expert counseling, Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail, 1199, rue De Bleury, 14^e étage, Montréal (Québec) H3B 3J1.

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Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety in mines

An Act respecting occupational health and safety
(chapter S-2.1, s. 223, 1st par., subpars. 7 and 19)

1. The Regulation respecting occupational health and safety in mines (chapter S-2.1, r. 14) is amended by inserting the following after section 27.4:

“**27.5.** Hoistmen must receive training on the characteristics of a hoist before using it. The training, offered by the employer or the person designated by the employer, must in particular cover the following elements:

- (1) the safety devices of the hoist;
- (2) the operation of the braking systems and the brake test procedure;
- (3) the procedures for using the single-drum hoist;
- (4) the hoist registers;
- (5) the procedures and directives related to the hoist;
- (6) the safety rules, measures and procedures, including those provided for in section 117;
- (7) the signal and communications systems;
- (8) the operating functions of the hoist.”

2. Section 200.1 is revoked.

3. The following is inserted after section 200.1:

“**200.2.** A worker is allowed to board a locomotive or mechanical haulage equipment if the worker stands on a foot-step, at the back of the locomotive that is not connected to a mine car, or at the back of the mechanical haulage equipment, if the following conditions are met:

- (1) the locomotive or mine car is equipped with handles and a foot-step allowing the worker to stand;
- (2) the clearance above the top of the foot-step is at least 2 m (6.6 ft);
- (3) the foot-step is used by a maximum of 2 workers.

For the purposes of the first paragraph, the back is determined by the direction opposite the direction of travel.”

4. 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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