

Regulations and other Acts

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Order 2018-13 of the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification dated June 29, 2018

Highway Safety Code
(chapter C-24.2)

Suspension of the requirement to pay the amount of the toll and fees for the passage of certain vehicles on bridge P-10942 on Autoroute 30, at certain times during the period from 3 July 2018 to 24 August 2018

THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT, SUSTAINABLE
MOBILITY AND TRANSPORT ELECTRIFICATION,

CONSIDERING section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), which provides that no person may drive a road vehicle on a public road subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships (chapter P-9.001) unless the toll and fees are paid in accordance with that Act;

CONSIDERING section 633.2 of the Highway Safety Code, which provides that if the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification considers that it is in the interest of the public and is not likely to compromise highway safety, the Minister may, by order and after consultation with the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, suspend the application of a provision of the Code or the regulations for the period specified by the Minister;

CONSIDERING that section 633.2 provides that the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) does not apply to an order made under that section 633.2;

CONSIDERING section 18 of the Regulations Act which provides that a regulation may come into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* where the authority that has made it is of the opinion that the urgency of the circumstances warrants it, and the reason justifying such coming into force must be published with the regulation;

CONSIDERING the extent of the work on the Honoré-Mercier Bridge that is to be performed until the month of August 2018;

CONSIDERING the necessity of increasing the traffic flow on the bridge while the work is being performed and of proposing mitigation measures, in particular by favouring the diverting of certain vehicles towards entry into Ville de Montréal on the west, over bridge P-10942 on Autoroute 30;

CONSIDERING that a measure to encourage certain vehicles to use bridge P-10942 by suspending, at specified times, the toll and fees to be paid to travel on the bridge would be conducive to reducing the traffic disturbances caused by the work being performed on the Mercier Bridge;

CONSIDERING that the Minister considers the proposed suspension of section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code is in the interest of the public and is not likely to compromise highway safety;

CONSIDERING that the Société de l'Assurance automobile du Québec has been consulted and is in favour of the suspension;

CONSIDERING that, in the opinion of the Minister of Transport, Sustainable Mobility and Transport Electrification, the situation is urgent and the circumstances dictate the need

— To ensure the mobility of persons and goods at the determined times and days during which work is being performed on the Honoré-Mercier Bridge;

— To facilitate traffic flow in the highway vicinity of the Honoré-Mercier Bridge; and

— To mitigate the impacts of road congestion on industries, in particular the trucking industry.

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Despite section 417.2 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), the requirement to pay the amount of the toll and fees is suspended for every person travelling on bridge P-10942 on Autoroute 30 subject to a toll under the Act respecting transport infrastructure partnerships (chapter P-9.001), insofar as the person

(1) travels with a class C road vehicle within the meaning of the Regulation respecting toll road infrastructures operated under a public-private partnership agreement (chapter P-9.001, r. 3); and

(2) travels on that bridge during the period from 3 July 2018 to 24 August 2018 inclusively, as applicable

(a) between 4:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. from Monday to Friday, going west only (towards Vaudreuil); or

(b) between 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. from Monday to Friday, going east only (towards Sorel).

2. Section 509.2 of the Highway Safety Code is also suspended for the person referred to in section 1 if the person satisfies the conditions set out in that section.

3. This Order comes into force on 3 July 2018, at 4:30 a.m.

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and Transport Electrification*

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