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\$13.28

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Motorcycles and mopeds —Sound emission control

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with section 10 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) and section 212 of the Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions (2018, chapter 7), that the Regulation respecting the sound emission control produced by the exhaust system of motorcycles and mopeds, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 15 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation is proposed following amendments made to the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2) by the Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions, assented to on 18 April 2018. The draft Regulation sets the maximum sound emission values that may be produced by a motorcycle's or moped's exhaust system and prescribes the measurement methods and technical standards of sound level meters and other instruments used to measure them.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Alexandre Guay, engineer, Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, 333, boulevard Jean-Lesage, E-4-34, case postale 19600, succursale Terminus, Québec (Québec) G1K 8J6; telephone: 418 528-3080; fax: 418 643-0828; email: alexandre.guay@saaq.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 15-day period to François Fortin, Directeur général de l'expertise légale et de la sécurité des véhicules, Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, 333, boulevard Jean-Lesage, E-4-34, case postale 19600, succursale Terminus, Québec (Québec) G1K 8J6. The comments will be sent by the Société to the Minister of Transport.

FRANÇOIS BONNARDEL, Minister of Transport

8 Pump attendant	note 1	note 1	
9 Service attendant			
Grade 1	\$12.47	\$12.84	
Grade 2	\$13.06	\$13.32	
Grade 3	\$13.83	\$14.11	

\$14.64

\$15.38

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\$12.47

\$12.79

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\$13.40

\$14.55

\$15.69

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\$12.84

\$13.18

\$14.03

note 1

\$13.67

\$14.84

\$16.00

\$14.93

\$15.69

Note 1: The minimum wage rate not provided for the trades of messenger, washer and pump attendant corresponds to the rate of the minimum wage payable to an employee, in accordance with section 3 of the Regulation respecting labour standards (chapter N-1.1, r. 3), increased by \$0.25 per hour as of the date of adjustment of the minimum wage rate.".

2. Section 12.01 is amended by replacing "31 December 2018" by "[*insert the date that occurs 36 months after the date of coming into force of this Decree*]" and by replacing "June 2018" and "June", respectively, by "[*insert the month and year that precedes by 6 months the date that occurs 36 months after the date of coming into force of this Decree*]" and "[*insert the month that precedes by 6 months the date that occurs 36 months after the date of coming into force of this Decree*]" and "[*insert the month that precedes by 6 months the date that occurs 36 months after the date of coming into force of this Decree*]", with the necessary modifications.

3. This Decree comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

Trades

4 Messenger

5 Dismantler

Grade 1

Grade 2

Grade 3

Grade 1

Grade 2

Grade 3

Grade 4

Grade 5

6 Washer

7 Semiskilled worker

Regulation respecting the sound emission control produced by the exhaust system of motorcycles and mopeds

(chapter C-24.2, ss. 484.1, 484.2, 484.3 and 621, 1st par., subpars. 27.1 and 27.2; 2018, chapter 7, s. 126 and s. 164, par. 3)

CHAPTER I DEFINITIONS

1. In this Regulation,

"constant speed motor" means the engine speed where the rotational speed of the engine is maintained at a set value during measurement; (moteur à vitesse constante)

"dBA" (decibel on the A-frequency weighting network) means the value of the overall noise level measured on the A-frequency weighting network established in accordance with the standards and methods prescribed in publication No. 179 (second edition, 1973) of the Central Office of the International Electrotechnical Commission; (*dBA*)

"engine speed" or "rotational speed of the engine" means the rotational speed of the engine expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (*régime moteur*) (*vitesse de rotation du moteur*)

"idle speed" means the engine speed established where the engine is started and the throttle is not activated; (moteur au ralenti)

"series of measurements" means a set of measurements taken with the same sound level meter, on the same premises, on the same day, by the same peace officers and in similar conditions; that set of measurements may concern a number of motorcycles and mopeds; (*série de mesures*)

"variable speed motor" means the engine speed where the rotational speed of the engine is increased progressively to a final value predetermined during measurement. (*moteur à vitesse variable*)

CHAPTER II MAXIMUM SOUND EMISSION VALUES

2. The sound emission values that may be produced by a motorcycle's or moped's exhaust system above which no owner of the vehicle may drive the vehicle or allow it to be driven are determined according to the classes of road vehicles and measurement methods used, as indicated in the table below :

Classes of ro and measure	oad vehicles ement methods (d	Values measured in dBA lecibels on the A-frequency weighting network)
	methods where the engine rotates at a constant or varia speed	able 100
motorcycle	method where the engine is idle	92
	methods where the engine rotates at a constant or vari- speed	able 90
moped	method where the engine is idle	82

CHAPTER III

MEASUREMENT METHODS

3. The measurement of sound emissions produced by a motorcycle's or moped's exhaust system is carried out while the vehicle is stationary and the engine is started and by applying the method where the engine rotates at a constant speed.

If it is impossible to maintain the rotational speed of the engine as indicated in paragraph 4 of section 4, the measurement is carried out by applying the method where the engine rotates at a variable speed.

If it is impossible to increase the rotational speed of the engine as indicated in paragraph 5 of section 4, the measurement is carried out by applying the method where the engine is idle.

CHAPTER IV

PROCEDURE FOR THE MEASUREMENT

4. When required to do so by a peace officer, the driver of a motorcycle or moped must help in measuring the sound emissions produced by the exhaust system of the driver's vehicle by performing the following:

(1) in the case of a motorcycle with a transmission having a neutral position,

(a) sit on the vehicle's seat;

(b) put the transmission in the neutral position;

(c) ensure the stability of the vehicle in the upright position;

(2) in the case of a motorcycle with an automatic transmission having no neutral position and a moped,

(a) let the vehicle rest on its centre stand;

(b) ensure the stability of the vehicle in the upright position;

(c) lift the back wheel from the ground so that it can turn freely;

(d) straddle the vehicle without sitting on it or, if the driver is unable to do so, stand beside the vehicle on the opposite side from where the measurement is carried out;

(3) in the case where the vehicle has a control system that may affect the sound emissions of the exhaust system, adjust the system in the position giving the maximum noise;

(4) where the measurement method where the engine rotates at a constant speed is applied, activate the throttle of the vehicle in order to reach and maintain for at least 2 seconds the rotational speed of the engine to the value determined in section 6;

(5) where the measurement method where the engine rotates at a variable speed is applied, activate the throttle of the vehicle in order to increase progressively for at least 2 seconds the rotational speed of the engine from the idle engine speed, to the value determined in section 6;

(6) where the measurement method where the engine is idle is applied, let the engine of the vehicle idle.

5. Where the measurement method with the engine at a constant speed or the measurement method with the engine at a variable speed is applied, the rotational speed of the engine must be verified with an external tachometer that complies with the requirements described in paragraph 3 of section 9. If it is impossible to use an external tachometer, in particular because the environment or configuration of the vehicle does not allow it, the tachometer of the vehicle may be used.

6. For the purposes of paragraphs 4 and 5 of section 4, the value of the rotational speed of the engine to be reached is determined as follows:

(1) the rotational speed of the engine of a motorcycle with a transmission having a neutral position is, according to the number of cylinders:

Values expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM) according to the number of cylinders of the engine

1, 2 or 6 cylinders	2,500 (± 250)
3 or 4 cylinders	5,000 (± 250)

(2) the rotational speed of the engine of a motorcycle with an automatic transmission having no neutral position and a moped is, according to the class of road vehicle:

Values expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM) according to the class of road vehicle		
motorcycle	4,000 (± 250)	
moped	5,000 (± 250)	

7. The measurement of sound emissions produced by a motorcycle's or moped's exhaust system is carried out using a sound level meter that complies with the requirements described in paragraph 1 of section 9.

8. The calibration of the sound level meter used to measure sound emissions produced by a motorcycle's or moped's exhaust system must be verified using a sound calibrator that complies with the requirements described in paragraph 2 of section 9 immediately before and after a series of measurements and, in the case where a series of measurements lasts more than 1 hour, it must also be verified so that not more than 1 hour has elapsed since the last verification.

CHAPTER V

SOUND LEVEL METERS AND OTHER MEASURING INSTRUMENTS TO BE USED

DIVISION I

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

9. Sound emissions produced by a motorcycle's or moped's exhaust system are measured using the following instruments:

(1) a class 1 sound level meter that complies with IEC Standard 61672-1: 2002 published by the International Electrotechnical Commission or a type 1 or type 2 sound level meter that complies with the requirements of ANSI Standard S1.4-1983 (R2006) (including amendment S1.4a-1985) published by the American National Standards Institute, having the A-frequency weighting and F-time weighting and having the capacity to memorize the maximum value of sound emissions happening during measurement; (2) a class 1 sound calibrator that complies with IEC Standard 60942: 2003 published by the International Electrotechnical Commission or a class 1 sound calibrator that complies with the requirements of ANSI Standard S1.40-2006 published by the American National Standards Institute, allowing to calibrate the sound level meter. A pistonphone or the internal device of a sound level meter may not be used to calibrate a sound level meter;

(3) an external tachometer allowing measurement of the rotational speed of the engine having a precision of more or less 3% and equipped with a mechanical, electromagnetic or acoustic sensor.

DIVISION II

VERIFICATION OF THE PROPER FUNCTIONING OF SOUND LEVEL METERS AND SOUND CALIBRATORS

10. The proper functioning of the sound level meters and sound calibrators described in Division I of this Chapter must be verified by a laboratory performing traceable calibrations at the intervals determined by the manufacturer. Failing the indication by the manufacturer of such verification, the proper functioning of those instruments must be verified as follows:

(1) for a sound level meter, in the 24 months preceding its last use;

(2) for a sound calibrator, in the 12 months preceding its last use.

CHAPTER VI

FINAL

11. This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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