

(1) the monthly number of trips provided by the drivers registered with the operators or by those to whom the dispatchers provide services; and

(2) the municipalities that are the starting points and destinations of the trips provided during the year concerned.

For the purposes of the first paragraph, operators and dispatchers must use the appropriate report model available on the website of the Commission des transports du Québec and enter the number of their identifier with the Commission.

2. Transportation system operators or registered dispatchers who are required to send to the Commission des transports du Québec either of the monthly reports referred to in sections 35 and 51 of the Regulation respecting remunerated passenger transportation by automobile (chapter XXX) are deemed to have sent the report provided for in section 1 to the Commission and to the Minister of Transport.

DIVISION II MULTIPLICATION FACTOR OF THE FARE

3. For the purposes of the second paragraph of section 94 of the Act respecting remunerated passenger transportation by automobile, the multiplier determined by the Minister is 1.5.

DIVISION III TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL

4. Transportation system operators and registered dispatchers are required to send the report provided for in section 1 as of 1 March 2022, for trips provided since 10 October 2021.

5. This Regulation comes into force on 10 October 2020.

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Draft Regulation

Transport Act
(chapter T-12)

Road vehicles used for the transportation of school children — 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 road vehicles used for the transportation of school children, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation makes certain amendments to the inscriptions and colours allowed on school buses, in particular electric school buses. The addition of white strobe lamps to the roof of school buses is also provided for. The draft Regulation clarifies the rules applicable to the transportation of vocational training centre students and to school children transported by public transit authorities.

The draft Regulation also allows the use of 12 to 15 passenger vehicles and multifunction school activity buses as part of education, sport and cultural activities. Lastly, the wording of offences is reviewed to ensure a better application of the Regulation.

The amendments proposed in the draft Regulation have little impact on school bus manufacturers and owners. The new standards applicable to fully electric school buses involve little costs for compliance. The objective sought being safety, it is not necessary to adjust the requirements to take into account the size of the enterprises.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Jean Sicard, Direction du conseil et du soutien aux partenaires, Direction générale du transport terrestre des personnes, Ministère des Transports, telephone: 418 644-9140, extension 22228; email: jean.sicard@transport.gouv.qc.ca.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Minister of Transport at Projet.reglement@transport.gouv.qc.ca.

FRANÇOIS BONNARDEL,
Minister of Transport

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting road vehicles used for the transportation of school children

Transport Act
(chapter T-12, s. 5, par. a)

1. The Regulation respecting road vehicles used for the transportation of school children (chapter T-12, r. 17) is amended by replacing section 1 by the following:

“1. Transportation of preschool or elementary or secondary school children carried out on a public road within the meaning of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2) and organized by a school service centre or a school board or by a private educational institution referred to in the Act respecting private education (chapter E-9.1) shall be carried out by means of a school bus, a school minibus or a vehicle used for the transportation of school children compliant with this Regulation.

Transportation of school children organized by a school service centre or a school board or by a private educational institution, as part of an education, sport or cultural activity, may be carried out by means of a multifunction school activity bus or a 12 to 15 passenger bus compliant with this Regulation.

Despite the first paragraph, the transportation of secondary school children that is incorporated into the service of the Réseau de transport métropolitain or a public transit authority constituted under the Act respecting public transit authorities (chapter S-30.01), provided that the route is available to the entire clientele and its schedule is publicly disseminated in the same manner as that of other routes, may be carried out by means of a bus manufactured for urban transport.”

2. Section 3 is revoked.

3. The following is inserted after section 4:

“**4.1.** A multifunction school activity bus as defined in the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations (C.R.C., c. 1038) that bears the national safety mark within the meaning of the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (S.C. 1993, c. 16) or the compliance label provided for in the Regulations for that type of vehicle is a multifunction school activity bus.

4.2. A bus that meets the following conditions is a 12 to 15 passenger bus:

(1) it meets the requirements of the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (S.C. 1993, c. 16);

(2) it bears the national safety mark within the meaning of the Motor Vehicle Safety Act or the compliance label provided for in the Act for Transport Canada’s “bus” class;

(3) the model year is 2017 or a later year;

(4) the model year is not more than 10 years;

(5) the gross weight rating is not more than 4,536 kg;

(6) it is equipped with an electronic tire pressure monitoring system that is in good operating condition.”

4. Section 11 is amended

(1) by adding “, except those of a fully electric school bus that shall be blue” at the end of the second paragraph;

(2) by replacing the third paragraph by the following:

“Strips of yellow reflective tape at least 2.5 cm wide may be affixed to the back of the school bus to delimit the contour. Reflective strips may also be affixed to the bus at the locations designated in section 6.5 of CSA Standard D250-16, School Buses, published by the Canadian Standards Association.”;

(3) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

“Only a fully electric school bus may have blue wheel rims.”

5. Section 30 is amended

(1) by adding “If the word “ÉCOLIERS” is indicated by a light-emitting diode (LED) sign, the background of the sign shall be black and the letters shall be in contrasting colour in order to be legible.” at the end of the first paragraph;

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

“In the case of a fully electric school bus, an inscription or a pictogram allowing to identify the bus as such and an indication of where the high tension may be deactivated from outside the school bus shall be affixed on the outside wall.”

6. Section 31 is amended

(1) by replacing “the name of the carrier” in paragraph 5 by “the name and contact information of the carrier”;

(2) by adding the following at the end:

“(7) a pictogram or a mention indicating that it is manufactured in Québec, where applicable.”

7. Section 34 is amended by replacing the second paragraph by the following:

“Those lights shall be designed and installed in accordance with testing standard J887, School Bus Warning Lamps, published by SAE International. Despite the foregoing, the standard does not apply to the aiming pads on the face of the lens or to the black encircling each light.”

8. The following is inserted after section 34:

“**34.1.** A white strobe lamp manufactured and installed in accordance with CSA Standard D250-16, School Buses, published by the Canadian Standards Association, may be added to the roof of a school bus.”

9. Section 44 is amended in the first paragraph

(1) by replacing “CSA Standard D-250-03 entitled “School Buses” and published on 18 March 2003” in subparagraph 1 by “CSA Standard D-250-16 entitled “School Buses” and published”;

(2) by replacing “CSA Standard D-250-03” in subparagraph 2 by “CSA D-250-16”.

10. The following is added after Division II of Chapter III:

**“DIVISION III
MULTIFUNCTION SCHOOL ACTIVITY BUSES
AND 12 TO 15 PASSENGER BUSES**

49.1. Between the fifteenth day of October and the first day of May, a school service centre, a school board or a private educational institution shall ensure that the tires with which a multifunction school activity bus or a 12 to 15 passenger bus is equipped are specifically designed for winter driving within the meaning of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 7 of the Regulation respecting the use of tires (chapter C-24.2, r. 45).

49.2. Before authorizing a driver to drive a multifunction school activity bus or a 12 to 15 passenger bus, a school service centre, a school board or an educational institution shall obtain the driver’s driving record and ensure that a maximum number of 3 demerit points are entered in it.

The school service centre, the school board or the educational institution shall require from every driver that the driver inform, without delay and in writing, the school board or educational institution if demerit points are added to the driver’s driving record after the verification made under the first paragraph.

49.3. The driver of a multifunction school activity bus or a 12 to 15 passenger bus shall inform in writing and without delay the school service, the school board or educational institution if demerit points are added to the driver’s driving record.

49.4. No person may drive a multifunction school activity bus or a 12 to 15 passenger bus if more than 3 demerit points are entered in the person’s driving record.”.

11. Section 50 is amended

(1) by replacing paragraphs 1 and 2 by the following:

“(1) where a person transports school children or has school children transported using a vehicle other than those permitted under section 1;

(2) where an owner uses a school bus or minibus that does not comply with the requirements of any of sections 7 to 36;”;

(2) by revoking paragraph 4.

12. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

Paragraph 3 of section 4.2 of the Regulation respecting road vehicles used for the transportation of school children, as enacted by section 3 of this Regulation, ceases to have effect on 31 December 2026.

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