

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 770-2020, 8 July 2020

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife
(chapter C-61.1)

Animals in captivity
— **Amendment**

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting animals in captivity

WHEREAS, under paragraph 22 of section 162 of the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (chapter C-61.1), the Government may make regulations fixing the norms and conditions respecting the capture of animals to be kept in captivity, the keeping of animals in captivity, the killing and, where such is the case, the disposal of animals, and fixing their number;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting animals in captivity (chapter C-61.1, r. 5.1);

WHEREAS, by Order in Council 177-2020 dated 13 March 2020, the Government declared a public health emergency owing to the COVID-19 pandemic and took certain measures to protect the health of the population;

WHEREAS, under paragraph 1 of section 12 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a proposed regulation may be made without having been published as provided for in section 8 of the Act if the authority making it is of the opinion that the urgency of the situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 1 of the first paragraph of section 18 of that Act, 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 situation requires it;

WHEREAS, under section 13 and the second paragraph of section 18 of that Act, the reason justifying the absence of prior publication and such coming into force must be published with the regulation;

WHEREAS the Government is of the opinion that the urgency owing to the following circumstances justifies the absence of prior publication and such coming into force:

— the Regulation respecting animals in captivity provides that the holders of a licence to keep animals in captivity, including zoos and big game breeders, must ensure compliance of certain animal keeping facilities not later than 6 September 2020 and identify, in accordance with

that Regulation and not later than that date, the animals kept in captivity and acquired before 6 September 2018, which identification is likely to require the alteration of animal keeping facilities;

— the measures taken to protect the health of the population during the public health emergency, including the temporary suspension of activities of zoos and clients of big game breeders, in particular in the restaurant industry, cause a significant decrease of income for zoos and big game breeders which affects, with the temporary suspension of the activities in the construction industry, the carrying out of work required for 6 September 2020;

— an urgent amendment of the Regulation respecting animals kept in captivity is therefore required in order to allow additional time to the holders of a licence to keep animals in captivity concerned to alter their animal keeping facilities and identify their animals;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Forests, Wildlife and Parks:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting animals in captivity, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting animals in captivity

An Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife
(chapter C-61.1, s. 162, par. 22)

1. The Regulation respecting animals in captivity (chapter C-61.1, r. 5.1) is amended in section 137

(1) by replacing “within 2 years from 6 September 2018” in the first paragraph by “not later than 31 December 2022”;

(2) by replacing “within 2 years of the coming into force of those Divisions” in the second paragraph by “not later than 31 December 2021”.

2. Section 139 is replaced by the following:

“**139.** A high-risk mammal, a large cervid or a wild boar (*Sus scrofa*) kept in captivity and acquired by its owner before 6 September 2018 must be identified,

in accordance with section 83 or 92, not later than 31 December 2022 or as soon as the animal is under anesthesia or captured to be moved.”

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

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Immigration Act
(chapter I-0.2.1)

Québec Immigration — Amendment

Regulation to amend the Québec Immigration Regulation

WHEREAS, under section 9 of the Québec Immigration Act (chapter I-0.2.1), the Government may, by regulation, determine immigration programs and, for each program, the selection conditions and any selection criteria applicable to foreign nationals;

WHEREAS section 106 of the Act provides, in particular, that a regulation made under the Act may apply to an application according to the date on which it was filed;

WHEREAS the second paragraph of section 104 of the Act provides in particular that a regulation made under section 9, in the case of provisions relating to a permanent immigration program, is not subject to the publication requirement set out in section 8 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1) and, despite section 17 of that Act, comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* or on any later date set in the regulation;

WHEREAS, despite the second paragraph of section 104 of the Québec Immigration Act, a draft regulation to amend the Québec Immigration Regulation was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 28 May 2020 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 30 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation to amend the Québec Immigration Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Immigration, Francization and Integration:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Québec Immigration Regulation, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Québec Immigration Regulation

Québec Immigration Act
(chapter I-0.2.1, ss. 9 and 106)

1. The Québec Immigration Regulation (chapter I-0.2.1, r. 3) is amended in section 33

(1) by striking out “or an intermediate French course, level 7 or level 8 according to that scale or its equivalent, offered by a Québec educational institution in Québec” in subparagraph *d* of paragraph 3;

(2) by striking out “and complied with the conditions of the stay” in paragraph 4;

(3) by inserting the following after paragraph 6:

“(7) has complied with the conditions of the stay;

(8) does hold full-time employment in Québec and has held such employment for a period and in a skill level within the meaning of the National Occupational Classification that correspond to one of the following requirements, according to the diploma referred to in paragraph 1:

(a) in the case of a university diploma attesting to a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree or a doctorate, or a diploma of college studies in a technical program: an employment held during a period of at least 12 months after the end of the program of studies, in skill level 0, A or B;

(b) in the case of a secondary vocational diploma: an employment held during a period of at least 18 months after the end of the program of studies, in skill level 0, A, B or C; in the case of an employment in skill level C, the employment must be related to the secondary vocational diploma;

(9) if included in the application, the spouse or de facto spouse shows an advanced beginner’s oral knowledge of French, level 4 according to the *Échelle québécoise des niveaux de compétence en français des personnes immigrantes adultes* or its equivalent and, as the case may be,