Draft Regulations

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An Act respecting off-highway vehicles (2020, chapter 26)

Training of off-highway vehicle tour guides

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the Regulation respecting the recognition of training for off-highway vehicle tour guides, appearing below, may be made by the Minister of Tourism on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation specifies the mandatory training to obtain an off-highway vehicle tour guide attestation.

It also specifies the validity period and the terms of renewal of the attestation.

The draft Regulation contains a transitional provision for persons who have successfully completed the Notion de sécurité pour les guides de randonnée en véhicules hors route training since 1 January 2018.

The measures proposed by the draft Regulation will have an impact on enterprises, in particular on small and medium-sized businesses since all enterprises offering guided off-highway vehicle activities that hire guides will have to ensure that the guides hold the off-highway vehicle tour guide attestation.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Geneviève Cantin, Director, Direction des relations partenariales, Ministère du Tourisme, 900, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, bureau 400, Québec (Québec) G1R 2B5; telephone: 418 643-5959, extension 3433; fax: 418 643-0549; email: genevieve. cantin@tourisme.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 Tourism, 900, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, bureau 400, Québec (Québec) G1R 2B5.

CAROLINE PROULX, *Minister of Tourism*

Regulation respecting the recognition of training for off-highway vehicle tour guides

An Act respecting off-highway vehicles (2020, chapter 26, s. 24)

CHAPTER I

GENERAL

- **1.** This Regulation applies to off-highway vehicle tour guides who, in return for payment, intervene with clients, travel agencies, adventure tourism enterprises and various other players in the industry in order to plan off-highway vehicle outings in nature, coordinate and lead activities, transmit techniques related to the carrying out of activities and to safety, supervise groups, interpret natural environments and respond to emergency situations.
- **2.** Any person wishing to obtain an off-highway vehicle tour guide attestation must successfully complete the training provided for in Schedule A.

CHAPTER II

CONTENT, VALIDITY PERIOD AND RENEWAL OF ATTESTATIONS

- **3.** An off-highway vehicle tour guide attestation must contain
 - (1) the holder's name and date of birth;
- (2) the attestation number, and the date of issue and expiry; and
- (3) the name and contact information of the organization responsible for the training, and the signature of a person in authority.
- **4.** The attestation is valid for 3 years. It is renewable for the same period.

Persons who wish to renew their attestation must prove that they participated in the training to update their knowledge and skills, which includes a theoretical review of their knowledge, and that their Wilderness & Remote First Aid training is up to date.

CHAPTER III

TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL

- **5.** Every person who successfully completed the Notion de sécurité pour les guides de randonnée en véhicules hors route training between 1 January 2018 and (*insert the date occurring six months after the signature of the Ministerial Order*) may obtain the attestation provided for in section 2, if the person has acquired knowledge of the Module complémentaire de formation prepared by Aventure Écotourisme Québec and has successfully completed the evaluation following the mandatory training provided for in Schedule A and the Wilderness & Remote First Aid training before 31 December 2021.
- **6.** This Regulation comes into force on (*insert the date occurring six months after the signature of the Ministerial Order*).

SCHEDULE A

MANDATORY TRAINING

- —Wilderness & Remote First Aid (20 hours)
- —Notion de sécurité pour les guides de randonnée en véhicules hors route training under the responsibility of Aventure Écotourisme Québec

REFRESHER TRAINING

— Mise à jour - Notions de sécurité pour les guides de randonnée en véhicule hors route under the responsibility of Aventure Écotourisme Québec

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