

The carrier, the school service centre, the school board or the private educational institution shall require from every driver in its employ that the driver inform, without delay and in writing, the carrier, the school service centre, the school board or the private 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 without delay and in writing the carrier, the school service centre, the school board or the private educational institution that employs the driver 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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Transport Act
(chapter T-12)

Environment Quality Act
(chapter Q-2)

**Road vehicles used for the transportation
of school children
— Amendment**

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

WHEREAS, under paragraph *a* of section 5 of the Transport Act (chapter T-12), the Government may, by regulation, establish standards, conditions or modes of construction, use, safe-keeping, upkeep, ownership, possession, rent, hygiene or safety of any means of transport or transport system which it indicates;

WHEREAS, under paragraphs *a* and *b* of section 53 of the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), the Government may make regulations applicable to the whole or to any part of the territory of Québec, to classify motor vehicles and engines to regulate their use and withdraw certain classes from the application of the Act and the regulations, and to prohibit or limit the use of certain classes of motor vehicles or engines to prevent or to reduce the emission of pollutants into the air;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 29 of the first paragraph of section 95.1 of that Act, the Government may make regulations to prescribe any measure aimed at promoting the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and require that climate change impact mitigation and adaptation measures be put in place;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting road vehicles used for the transportation of school children was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 24 April 2021 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Transport and the Minister of the Environment and the Fight Against Climate Change:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting road vehicles used for the transportation of school children, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

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

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

Environment Quality Act
(chapter Q-2, s. 53, pars. a et b et s. 95.1, 1st par., subpar. 29)

1. The Regulation respecting road vehicles used for the transportation of school children (chapter T-12, r. 17) is amended by inserting the following after section 6:

“**6.1.** A school bus shall be fully electric if it is used for the following:

(1) all transport of students organized for taking them to or from classes on a daily basis or for allowing them to go home at noon for lunch and provided for by a school service centre that exercises the duties and powers related to student transportation provided for in sections 291 to 299 of the Education Act (chapter I-13.3), for a school board that exercises the duties and powers related to school bussing provided for in sections 431 to 431.8 of the Education Act for Cree, Inuit and Naskapi Native Persons (chapter I-14), or for a private educational institution authorized to organize the busing of students under the second paragraph of section 62 of the Act respecting private education (chapter E-9.1);

(2) all other transport of school children for educational, sports or cultural activities provided for a school service centre, a school board or for a private educational institution referred to in subparagraph 1;

(3) any transport provided by a school service centre, by a school board or by a private educational institution for its school children.

The first paragraph does not apply to a school bus whose model year is prior to 2024 and which was registered in Québec on 31 October 2021. It also does not apply to a school bus used for the transportation of school children in a location served by a Hydro-Québec independent electric power distribution system and listed in Schedule II.”

2. 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 adding the following paragraph at the end:

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

3. Section 30 is amended 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.”

4. Section 50 is amended by inserting the following after paragraph 1:

“(1.1) where a person transports school children or has school children transported as organized under subparagraphs 1 to 3 of the first paragraph of section 6.1 using a vehicle that does not comply with the requirements of that section;”

5. The following is added after Schedule I:

“SCHEDULE II (s. 6.1)

LIST OF LOCATIONS SERVED BY A HYDRO-QUEBEC INDEPENDENT ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

— Akulivik (Nord-du-Québec)

— Aupaluk (Nord-du-Québec)

— Clova (Mauricie)

— Inukjuak (Nord-du-Québec)

— Ivujivik (Nord-du-Québec)

— Kangiqsujuaq (Nord-du-Québec)

— Kangiqsualujjuaq (Nord-du-Québec)

— Kangirsuk (Nord-du-Québec)

— Kuujjuaq (Nord-du-Québec)

— Kuujjuarapik (Nord-du-Québec)

- Obedjiwan (Mauricie)
- Port-Menier (île d'Anticosti) (Côte-Nord)
- Puvirnituq (Nord-du-Québec)
- Quaqtaq (Nord-du-Québec)
- Salluit (Nord-du-Québec)
- Tasiujaq (Nord-du-Québec)
- Umiujaq (Nord-du-Québec)
- Whapmagoostui (Nord-du-Québec)”.

6. This Regulation comes into force on 31 October 2021.

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