

**5.2.** The certificate of marriage or civil union of the spouses shall state

- (1) the name of the spouses;
- (2) the places and dates of birth of the spouses;
- (3) the place and date of the spouses' marriage or civil union;
- (4) the cause of the dissolution of the marriage or civil union, where applicable; and
- (5) the registration number of the act of marriage or civil union.

**5.3.** The certificate of death of the deceased shall state

- (1) the name of the deceased;
- (2) the designation of sex;
- (3) the place, date and time of death of the deceased;
- (4) the place and date of birth of the deceased; and
- (5) the registration number of the act of death.”.

**2.** This Regulation comes into force on 8 June 2023.

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## **O.C. 781-2023, 3 May 2023**

Highway Safety Code  
(chapter C-24.2)

### **Distractions while driving**

Regulation respecting distractions while driving

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of section 443.1 and subparagraph 51 of the first paragraph of section 621 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), the Government may by regulation determine the manner in which section 443.1 is to be applied, in particular by defining the meaning of certain expressions and prescribing other exceptions to the prohibitions under that section as well as other standards applicable to display screens;

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of section 443.2 of the Code, the Government may, by regulation, prescribe exceptions to the prohibition under the first paragraph of that section;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation respecting distractions while driving was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 16 February 2022 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:

THAT the Regulation respecting distractions while driving, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET  
*Clerk of the Conseil exécutif*

## **Regulation respecting distractions while driving**

Highway Safety Code  
(chapter C-24.2, s. 443.1, 3rd par., s. 443.2, 3rd par., and s. 621, 1st par., subpar. 51)

### **DIVISION I** **APPLICATION OF SECTION 443.1** **OF THE HIGHWAY SAFETY CODE**

**1.** For the purposes of the first paragraph of section 443.1 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), “hands-free device” means

(1) a device that can be used to operate a cellular telephone or any other portable device, through a vocal command or a simple manual command that the driver can activate without being distracted from driving the road vehicle; or

(2) the speaker function of a cellular telephone, where that function does not require the driver of the road vehicle to handle the telephone or use a display screen.

A part of a road vehicle on which information is projected using a technology to that effect is considered to be a display screen.

**2.** For the purposes of subparagraph a of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 443.1 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2),

(1) information on the vehicle's conditions, use and immediate environment, real-time information on road or weather conditions, and routing and guidance information is considered to be information as is relevant to driving a road vehicle;

(2) heating and air-conditioning systems and audio systems are considered to be usual equipment of a road vehicle.

**3.** For the purposes of subparagraph d of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 443.1 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), a display screen is considered to be positioned and designed in such a way that the driver of a road vehicle can operate and consult it easily if it is positioned so as to display information in the driver's line of sight in the normal driving position and displays short, simple messages.

## DIVISION II

### OTHER EXCEPTIONS TO THE PROHIBITIONS UNDER SECTIONS 443.1 AND 443.2 OF THE HIGHWAY SAFETY CODE

**4.** The driver of a road vehicle may use a cellular telephone or any other portable device if

(1) the device is used by a peace officer or the driver of an emergency vehicle in the performance of their duties;

(2) the device is used to make a call to 911 emergency services;

(3) the device is a cordless voice communication device, also known as a two-way radio, which does not allow the callers to speak simultaneously; or

(4) the device is used for contactless payment or to show proof of payment, proof relating to in-vehicle pickup, proof confirming a right of access, or any other proof of the same nature, when the vehicle is stationary without being parked.

**5.** The driver of a road vehicle may consult the following information displayed on a display screen, including that of a portable device, or use a screen command, provided the screen meets the conditions set out in subparagraphs b to d of subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 443.1 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2):

(1) information that is used by a peace officer or the driver of an emergency vehicle in the performance of their duties;

(2) information that is used to manage messages as part of an enterprise's activities, to collect fees payable by a passenger, to control a passenger's access to the vehicle, or to ensure a passenger's safety;

(3) information that, in a public utility or telecommunications enterprise vehicle, is useful to their business.

**6.** A peace officer who is riding a bicycle in the performance of their duties may wear only one earphone.

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

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## O.C. 813-2023, 10 May 2023

Charter of the French language  
(chapter C-11)

### Language of the civil administration

Regulation respecting the language of the civil administration

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 16 of the Charter of the French Language (chapter C-11), as amended by section 1 of the Act to amend the Charter of the French Language (2002, chapter 28), the civil administration is to use only the official language in its written communications with other governments and with legal persons established in Québec;

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 16 of the Charter of the French Language, as enacted by section 1 of the Act to amend the Charter of the French Language, the Government may, however, determine by regulation the cases, conditions or circumstances in which another language may be used in addition to the official language;

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 2 of the first paragraph of section 21.4 of the Charter of the French Language, as enacted by section 14 of the Act respecting French, the official and common language of Québec (2022, chapter 14), a version in a language other than French may be attached to the contracts and other related written documents referred to respectively in sections 21 and 21.3 of the Charter in any other situation determined by government regulation;