

**402.1.** Blasting and any work requiring the use of explosives must be carried out by a blaster who has received the training referred to in section 27.8 or who holds a shot-firer's certificate issued in accordance with section 292 of the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety (S-2.1, r. 13), or by an assistant under the supervision and coordination of such a blaster.

The blaster may not be assisted in such work by more than two assistants.”

**11.** Section 434 is amended

(1) by replacing “transportation of explosives” in the second paragraph by “the motorized vehicle shall be designed or adapted for the transportation of explosives, and transportation”;

(2) by inserting “designed or adapted for the transportation of explosives and” after “be” in subparagraph *a* of subparagraph 4 of the second paragraph;

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

“Paragraph 4 of section 429 does not apply when very insensitive substances with a mass explosion hazard, Class 1.5, referred to in paragraph *e* of section 2.10 of the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations (SOR/2001-286), are transported underground. Such explosive substances shall, however, be secured to prevent their movement or spillage during transportation.”

**12.** The following is inserted after section 437:

**437.1.** Before drilling on a working face of an open-pit mine, it must be examined to detect misfires, cut-off holes and remnants of drill holes.

The first paragraph does not apply when the drilling is carried out using a remote control device, under supervision, and when the blasting area is evacuated.

**437.2.** Notwithstanding section 437.1, drilling in an open-pit mine may be carried out on broken rock without an examination to detect misfires if the drilling pattern is staggered to ensure a distance of 1.5 m between the holes for the previous blasting and the holes drilled.

Drilling under the first paragraph shall be carried out in accordance with a written procedure drawn up by an engineer.”

**13.** Section 438 is amended

(1) in the first paragraph

(a) by replacing “section 437” by “sections 437 and 437.1”;

(b) by inserting “, except those of a seismic excavation,” after “holes”;

(c) by adding the following:

“(3) in any other way allowing the remnants of drill holes to be marked.”;

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

“However, timbering may be installed on the roofs and walls of an underground mine up to the working face before the remnants of drill holes are marked.”

**14.** Section 443.1 is amended by replacing paragraph 1 by the following:

“(1) the drill used must have a closed cab in compliance with the plans and specifications of an engineer. The cab glass exposed to the risk of rock projection must be covered by a metal mesh and be sufficiently strong to ensure worker safety.”;

**15.** 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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## Draft Regulation

Parks Act  
(chapter P-9)

### Parks —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 Parks Regulation, appearing below, may be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation provides that the prohibition concerning the possession of arms or hunting implements provided for in section 23 of the Parks Regulation (chapter P-9, r. 25) does not apply to a person authorized

under a licence issued in accordance with the first paragraph of section 47 of the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (chapter C-61.1).

The draft Regulation also removes the prohibition concerning the possession of trapping implements provided for in section 23 of the Parks Regulation.

Further information on the draft Regulation may be obtained by contacting Jean-François Lamarre, Direction des parcs nationaux, Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, de la Faune et des Parcs, 880, chemin Sainte-Foy, 2<sup>e</sup> étage, Québec (Québec) G1S 4X4; telephone: 418 627-6356, extension 703272; email: jean-francois.lamarre@mffp.gouv.qc.ca.

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## Regulation to amend the Parks Regulation

Parks Act  
(chapter P-9, s. 9, par. e)

**1.** The Parks Regulation (chapter P-9, r. 25) is amended by replacing section 23 by the following:

“**23.** The possession of arms or hunting implements is prohibited in a park.

However, the prohibition concerning the possession of arms or hunting implements provided for in the first paragraph does not apply to a person authorized under a licence issued in accordance with the first paragraph of section 47 of the Act respecting the conservation and development of wildlife (chapter C-61.1).

In addition, the prohibition concerning the possession of arms provided for in the first paragraph does not apply to employees of a contracting party referred to in section 8.1 or 8.1.1 of the Parks Act (chapter P-9) acting in the performance of their functions in a park situated north of the 55th parallel.”

**2.** 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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