

## Draft Regulation

Act respecting occupational health and safety  
(chapter S-2.1)

### Hazardous Products Information — Occupational health and safety — Occupational health and safety in mines — Safety and health in foundry works — 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 Hazardous Products Information Regulation, the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety in mines and the Regulation respecting safety and health in foundry works, appearing below, may be adopted by the Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail and submitted for approval by the Government, in accordance with section 224 of the Act respecting occupational health and safety, on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation proposes amendments aimed at incorporating an up-to-date and evolving standard for compressed breathing air used in respiratory protective apparatuses. It also harmonizes Québec regulations with federal government regulations removing all references to asbestos insofar as its use is prohibited and updates the list of hazardous products. In addition, the draft Regulation postpones the coming into force of the requirements pertaining to the certificate of qualification in arboriculture to 8 June 2026.

Finally, the draft Regulation adjusts the provision applicable to the minimum concentration of oxygen in the air required in confined spaces within establishments in order to harmonize that requirement for oxygen concentration with the requirement for oxygen concentration in confined spaces at construction sites as well as outside of confined spaces.

Study of the project has shown a financial impact of \$12,600,000 during the implementation of the regulatory amendments pertaining to compressed breathing air in respiratory protective apparatuses to enable employers to update the relevant equipment, and \$2,100,000 over the subsequent years. To date, the other regulatory amendments made by the draft Regulation are not expected to have any financial impact on Québec enterprises.

Further information on the draft Regulations may be obtained by contacting Charles Labrecque, Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail, 1199, rue De Bleury, Montréal (Québec) H3B 3J1; email: [charles.labrecque@cnesst.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:charles.labrecque@cnesst.gouv.qc.ca).

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Mohamed Aiyar, Vice-President for Prevention, Commission des normes, de l'équité, de la santé et de la sécurité du travail, 1600, avenue d'Estimauville, Québec (Québec) G1J 0H7; email: [mohamed.aiyar@cnesst.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:mohamed.aiyar@cnesst.gouv.qc.ca).

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## Regulation to amend the Hazardous Products Information Regulation, the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety in mines and the Regulation respecting safety and health in foundry works

Act respecting occupational health and safety  
(chapter S-2.1, s. 223, 1st par., subpars. 3, 7, 9, 19, 21.1  
and 42, and 2nd par.).

### HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS INFORMATION REGULATION

**1.** The Hazardous Products Information Regulation (chapter S-2.1, r. 8.1) is amended in section 1 by replacing “Fifth Revised Edition” in the definition of “precautionary statement” by “Seventh Revised Edition”.

### REGULATION RESPECTING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

**2.** The Regulation respecting occupational health and safety (chapter S-2.1, r. 13) is amended in section 48 by replacing “CAN/CSA-Z180.1-00” in the first paragraph by “CSA-Z180.1”;

**3.** Section 70 is amended by replacing the last paragraph by the following:

“For the purposes of this Division, the 6 categories identified in the first paragraph correspond to the hazard classes identified in the following table:

Classes (Controlled Products Regulations, SOR/88-66)	Hazard Classes (Hazardous Products Regulations, SOR/2015-17)
“compressed gases”	“gases under pressure”
“flammable and combustible material”	“flammable gases”, category 1A: - “flammable gases”; - “pyrophoric gases”; - “chemically unstable gases”; “flammable gases”, category 1B: - “flammable gases”; “aerosols”, categories 1 and 2; “flammable liquids”; “flammable solids”; “pyrophoric liquids”; “pyrophoric solids”; “substances and mixtures which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases”; “self-heating substances and mixtures”; “chemicals under pressure”, categories 1 and 2;
“oxydizing material”	“oxydizing gases”; “oxydizing liquids”; “oxydizing solids”; “organic peroxides”, types A to G;
“poisonous material”	“oral, dermal or inhalation acute toxicity”, categories 1, 2 and 3; “skin corrosion/irritation”, category 2; “serious eye damage/eye irritation”, category 2; “respiratory or skin sensitization”; “germ cell mutagenicity”; “carcinogenicity”; “reproductive toxicity”, categories 1 and 2; “specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure”; “biohazardous infectious materials”; “health hazards not otherwise classified”;
“corrosive material”	“corrosive to metals”; products classified in one of the following categories: - “skin corrosion/irritation”, category 1; - “serious eye damage/eye irritation”, category 1;
“dangerously reactive material”	“self-reactive substances and mixtures”, types A to F; “physical hazards not otherwise classified”.

**4.** Section 302 is amended by replacing “20.5%” in paragraph 1 of the first paragraph by “19.5%”.

## REGULATION TO AMEND THE REGULATION RESPECTING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

**5.** Section 3 of the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, approved by Order in Council 821-2023, is replaced by the following:

“**3.** The requirements referred to in section 312.103, made by section 2 of this Regulation, take effect from 8 June 2026.”

## REGULATION RESPECTING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY IN MINES

**6.** The Regulation respecting occupational health and safety in mines (chapter S-2.1, r. 14) is amended in section 2 by striking out “12.1,” in the last paragraph;

**7.** Section 12.1 is revoked;

**8.** Section 489 is amended by striking out “asbestos,” in the last paragraph.

## REGULATION RESPECTING SAFETY AND HEALTH IN FOUNDRY WORKS

**9.** The Regulation respecting safety and health in foundry works (chapter S-2.1, r. 15) is amended in section 140 by striking out “asbestos,”.

**10.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, except sections 1 and 3, which come into force on 1 December 2025.

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