

chapter A-12, r. 10

Regulation respecting equivalence standards of training for a permit to be issued by the Ordre des agronomes du Québec

Agrologists Act
(chapter A-12, s. 3).

Professional Code
(chapter C-26, s. 93, pars. *c* and *c.1*).

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DIVISION I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.01. In this Regulation, unless the context indicates otherwise,

(a) “Order” means the Ordre des agronomes du Québec;

(b) “training equivalence” means the recognition by the Order that the training of a candidate indicates that the latter has attained a level of knowledge equivalent to that attained by the holder of a diploma recognized as giving access to the permit;

(c) “credit” means the quantitative value allotted to the work load required from a student, one credit corresponding to 45 hours of attendance at a course or of personal work;

(d) “agricultural sciences” means all the physical, biological and economic sciences as applied to the soil, the plants and the animals used in agricultural production, as well as to the various forms of activity and the conservation of the rural milieu;

(e) “secretary” means the secretary of the Order.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 1.01; O.C. 464-2008, s. 1.

1.02. The Interpretation Act (chapter I-16) applies to this Regulation.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 1.02.

1.03. The secretary shall forward a copy of this Regulation to any candidate who wishes to have an equivalence recognized.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 1.03.

DIVISION II

PROCEDURE FOR THE RECOGNITION OF AN EQUIVALENCE

2.01. A candidate who wishes to have a training equivalence recognized must provide the secretary with those of the following documents necessary to support his application:

(a) his academic record including the description of the courses taken;

(b) proof of the obtainment of his diploma;

(c) an attestation of his participation in a professional training period;

(d) an attestation of pertinent work experience.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 2.01.

2.02. (*Revoked*).

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 2.02; O.C. 1522-90, s. 1.

2.03. The secretary shall forward the documents prescribed in section 2.01 to the committee on equivalence formed by the board of directors to study the applications for equivalence and make a suitable recommendation. At the first meeting following receipt of the report of that committee, the board of directors

shall decide whether or not it recognizes each equivalence and inform the candidates in writing of its decisions.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 2.03.

2.04. Within 15 days following its decision not to acknowledge his equivalence, the board of directors must inform the candidate in writing of the curriculum, training periods or examinations whose satisfactory completion, considering his present level of knowledge, would allow him to be granted such equivalence.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 2.04.

2.05. A candidate who is informed of the board of director's decision not to recognize the training equivalence applied for, or to recognize such equivalence in part only, may apply for a review of the decision on condition that such application is made, with supporting reasons, in writing to the secretary within 30 days following receipt of the decision.

O.C. 464-2008, s. 2.

2.06. The review is made, within 90 days following the date of receipt of the application, by a review committee formed by the board of directors pursuant to paragraph 2 of section 86.0.1 of the Professional Code (chapter C-26) and consisting of persons other than members of the board of directors or the committee referred to in section 2.03.

O.C. 464-2008, s. 2.

2.07. Before making a decision, the review committee must allow the candidate to submit his observations. For that purpose, the secretary shall inform the candidate of the date, place and time of the meeting at which the application is to be examined, by means of a written notice sent by registered mail at least 15 days before the meeting is held.

A candidate wishing to be present for the purpose of submitting his observations must inform the secretary accordingly at least 10 days before the date scheduled for the meeting. The candidate may also convey written observations to the secretary at least 1 day before the date scheduled for the meeting.

O.C. 464-2008, s. 2.

2.08. The committee's decision is final and must be transmitted to the candidate in writing within 30 days following the date of the meeting.

O.C. 464-2008, s. 2.

DIVISION III

STANDARDS FOR TRAINING EQUIVALENCE

3.01. A candidate shall be granted a training equivalence if he proves that he has:

(a) a level of knowledge equivalent to that attained upon completion of university studies in agricultural sciences comprising a minimum of 90 credits; and

(b) pertinent work experience of at least 2 years.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 3.01.

3.02. In order to determine whether a candidate shows that he has the level of knowledge required under paragraph *a* of section 3.01, the board of directors shall take the following factors into account:

(a) the fact that the candidate holds one or several diplomas obtained in Québec or elsewhere;

- (b) the courses taken;
- (c) the total number of years of schooling; and
- (d) the training periods served.

Where the appreciation made under the first paragraph does not allow a decision to be made, the board of directors may stipulate an examination or training period to complete the appreciation.

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 3.02.

DIVISION IV

FINAL PROVISION

4.01. In order to obtain a permit to practise, the candidate must also comply with the terms and conditions prescribed in the Regulation respecting admission to the practice of the profession of agrologist (chapter A-12, r. 2).

R.R.Q., 1981, c. A-12, r. 9, s. 4.01.

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