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# Regulation respecting equivalence standards for the issuing of permits by the Ordre professionnel des technologues professionnels

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

O.C. 1645-86.

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### **DIVISION I**

GENERAL

**1.** The secretary of the Ordre professionnel des technologues professionnels du Québec shall forward a copy of this Regulation to a candidate wishing to have a diploma recognized as equivalent.

In this Regulation, "diploma equivalence" means the recognition by the Ordre professionnel des technologues professionnels du Québec that a diploma issued by an educational institution outside Québec certifies that the candidate's level of knowledge is equivalent to the level attained by the holder of a diploma recognized as meeting permit requirements.

In this Regulation, "training equivalence" means the recognition by the Ordre professionnel des technologues professionnels du Québec that a candidate's training demonstrates the attainment of a level of knowledge equivalent to the level attained by the holder of a diploma recognized as meeting permit requirements.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 1; O.C. 1700-93, s. 1; O.C. 399-2009, s. 1.

#### **2.** (*Replaced*).

O.C. 1645-86, s. 2; O.C. 1700-93, s. 1.

#### **DIVISION II**

PROCEDURE FOR THE RECOGNITION OF AN EQUIVALENCE

**3.** A candidate applying for a diploma equivalence or a training equivalence shall provide the secretary with the following supporting documents and with the costs required for the examination of the application pursuant to paragraph 8 of section 86.0.1 of the Professional Code (chapter C-26);

- (1) proof that the diploma was issued;
- (2) the candidate's academic record;
- (3) a description of the program objectives;
- (4) a description of the courses taken; and

(5) a document attesting to the candidate's work experience and to the candidate's participation in a training period, where applicable.

Documents written in a language other than French or English shall be accompanied by a translation.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 3; O.C. 1700-93, s. 2.

4. The secretary shall forward the documents prescribed in section 3 to the committee of examiners set up by the board of directors.

The committee of examiners analyzes the equivalence applications and makes its recommendation to the executive committee.

For the purposes of making its recommendation, the committee of examiners may ask the applicant to participate in an interview, pass an examination or both.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 4; O.C. 1700-93, s. 2; O.C. 399-2009, s. 2.

**5.** At the first meeting of the executive committee following the date on which the recommendation of the committee of examiners is received, the executive committee shall decide whether it grants the requested equivalence and the secretary shall send written notice of the decision to the applicant within 15 days of the date of its decision. If equivalence is refused, the secretary shall inform the applicant of the right to review the decision.

When the executive committee decides not to grant the requested equivalence, it shall, at the same time, inform the applicant in writing of the education program, courses, training periods or examinations that must be successfully completed to receive equivalence.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 5; O.C. 399-2009, s. 2.

**5.1.** The applicant who is informed of the decision by the executive committee to not grant the requested equivalence may request a review of the decision, on condition that the request is made in writing to the secretary, within 30 days of receiving the decision.

O.C. 399-2009, s. 2.

**5.2.** The review committee, set up by the executive committee and composed of persons who are neither members of the executive committee nor the committee of examiners, examines the application under review and make its decision within 60 days following receipt of such an application.

It must, prior to making its decision, allow the applicant to present his observations.

For that purpose, the secretary shall inform the applicant of the date, location and time of the meeting at which the request is to be examined at least 15 days before the meeting.

The applicant who wishes to present his observations must inform the secretary in writing at least 10 days before the scheduled date of the meeting. He may also send the secretary his written observations at any time before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The decision of the review committee is final and must be forwarded to the applicant in writing within 15 days of the date of the meeting.

O.C. 399-2009, s. 2.

#### **DIVISION III**

#### STANDARDS FOR DIPLOMA EQUIVALENCE

**6.** A candidate holding a post-secondary diploma issued by an educational institution outside Québec shall be granted a diploma equivalence where the diploma:

(1) was issued at the end of a program recognized by the Canadian Council of Technicians and Technologists (CCTT), and is in a technical field for which a diploma may be issued in accordance with the Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders (chapter C-26, r. 2); or

(2) is in a technical field for which a diploma may be issued in accordance with the Regulation respecting the diplomas issued by designated educational institutions which give access to permits or specialist's certificates of professional orders, and was issued by an educational institution certified by the Canadian Technology Accreditation Board (CTAB) of the Canadian Council of Technicians and Technologists (CCTT) and whose certification has been adopted in a resolution by the board of directors of the Order.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 6; O.C. 1700-93, s. 3.

# 7. (Revoked).

O.C. 1645-86, s. 7; O.C. 1700-93, s. 4.

**8.** Notwithstanding section 6, when the diploma that is the subject of a diploma equivalence application was obtained 5 years or more before the application and the knowledge that it demonstrates no longer corresponds, due to the development of the profession, to what is being taught at the time of the request in an education program leading to a diploma that meets the requirements for the permit issued by the Order, the applicant shall be granted training equivalence in accordance with section 9, if he has acquired, since obtaining his diploma, the level of knowledge and abilities required.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 8; O.C. 1700-93, s. 5; O.C. 399-2009, s. 3.

## **DIVISION IV**

#### STANDARDS FOR TRAINING EQUIVALENCE

**9.** Subject to section 10, a candidate shall qualify for a training equivalence where he demonstrates that he possesses a level of knowledge equivalent to the level attained by the holder of a diploma issued at the end of a program recognized by the Canadian Council of Technicians and Technologists (CCTT).

O.C. 1645-86, s. 9; O.C. 1700-93, s. 6.

**10.** To determine whether a candidate demonstrates the level of knowledge required by section 9, the board of directors shall consider all of the following factors:

- (1) the nature and duration of his experience;
- (2) the fact that the candidate holds one or more diplomas granted in Québec or elsewhere;
- (3) the courses taken;
- (4) the training periods completed; and
- (5) the total number of years of education.

Where the appraisal of a candidate's record under the first paragraph proves inconclusive, the board of directors may impose an examination or a training period to complete its appraisal.

O.C. 1645-86, s. 10; O.C. 1700-93, s. 7.

#### **DIVISION V**

FINAL

**11.** (*Omitted*).

O.C. 1645-86, s. 11.

UPDATES O.C. 1645-86, 1986 G.O. 2, 2684 O.C. 1700-93, 1993 G.O. 2, 6909 S.Q. 2008, c. 11, s. 212 O.C. 399-2009, 2009 G.O. 2, 1304