

Gouvernement du Québec

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Highway Safety Code
(chapter C24.2)

Dump body safety devices

WHEREAS, under subparagraph 11.1 of the first paragraph of section 621 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), the Government may by regulation prescribe standards applicable to the height of the dump body of a heavy vehicle and the flashing red warning light or audible warning device required under section 257.1 of the Code, enacted by section 52 of the Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions (2018, chapter 7);

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft of the Regulation respecting dump body safety devices was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 29 August 2018 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 dump body safety devices, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

YVES OUELLET,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation respecting dump body safety devices

Highway Safety Code
(chapter C-24.2, s. 621, 1st par., subpar. 11.1)

1. The maximum height above which a heavy vehicle with a dump body must be equipped with the flashing red warning light and audible warning device provided for in section 257.1 of the Highway Safety Code (chapter C-24.2), enacted by section 52 of the Act to amend the Highway Safety Code and other provisions (2018, chapter 7), when the dump body is raised, is 4.15 m.

2. The flashing red warning light referred to in section 1 must have the following characteristics:

(1) be placed in the upper part of the dashboard of the vehicle or on the dashboard as close as possible to the vehicle driver's line of sight while seated in the normal driving position and looking straight ahead;

(2) have a flash rate between 60 and 120 times per minute;

(3) have a light intensity sufficient to be easily visible by day, even at the minimum intensity in the case of a warning light with variable intensity;

(4) be activated automatically as soon as the key-operated control to start the vehicle is in the "on" position when the dump body is not completely lowered and remain on until the dump body is completely lowered.

3. The audible warning device referred to in section 1 must have the following characteristics:

(1) emit a continuous sound or an intermittent sound at a frequency that is between 60 and 120 times per minute;

(2) emit a sound sufficiently high to be easily audible by the driver of the vehicle in any situation;

(3) be activated automatically as soon as the key-operated control to start the vehicle is in the "on" position when the dump body is not completely lowered and remain on until the dump body is completely lowered.

Despite subparagraph 3 of the first paragraph, the audible warning device may be designed to turn off automatically after at least 5 seconds of operation and remain turned off until the vehicle reaches a speed of not more than 12 km/h. Over that speed, it must be activated automatically again. It must also be activated automatically again as soon as the signal produced by the system to measure the rate of speed of the vehicle is lost.

4. In addition to the characteristics provided for in sections 2 and 3, the flashing red warning light and the audible warning device referred to in section 1 must be designed to be activated automatically as soon as the position sensor of the dump body or the connection of the sensor to the light and warning device is defective.

5. This Regulation comes into force on 1 September 2020.

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