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Bill 1095

**An Act to allow recycled textiles to be
used as stuffing in keeping with the
principle of sustainable development**

Introduction

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The purpose of this bill is to allow recycled textile fibers to be used as stuffing in keeping with the principle of sustainable development.

The bill amends the Act respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles to allow the addition of stuffing made from recycled textile fibers produced by recycling yarn, fabrics, consumer textile articles or plumage products.

The bill also amends the Regulation respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles to prescribe labelling for stuffing made from recycled textile fibers and for stuffed or upholstered articles using such stuffing. Two label models are added to the Regulation: a light blue label for new and recycled material, and a light green label for recycled material only.

LEGISLATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

– Act respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles (chapter M-5).

REGULATION AMENDED BY THIS BILL:

– Regulation respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles (chapter M-5, r. 1).

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AN ACT TO ALLOW RECYCLED TEXTILES TO BE USED AS STUFFING IN KEEPING WITH THE PRINCIPLE OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this Act is to allow recycled textile fibers to be used as stuffing in keeping with the principle of sustainable development.

AMENDING PROVISIONS

ACT RESPECTING STUFFING AND UPHOLSTERED AND STUFFED ARTICLES

2. Section 1 of the Act respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles (chapter M-5) is amended

(1) by inserting “, including material made of recycled textile fibers,” after “material” in paragraph *a*;

(2) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph *a*:

“(a.1) “recycled textile fiber”: any textile fiber from recycled yarn, fabric, consumer textile articles or plumage products;”.

3. Section 10 of the Act is amended by adding the following paragraph after paragraph *c*:

“(d) use, sell or offer for sale stuffing made of recycled textile fibers, unless such stuffing is disinfected in accordance with the regulations.”

4. The Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 11:

“11.1. If an upholstered or stuffed article containing stuffing contemplated in paragraph *d* of section 10 is offered for sale and if such article endangers health and cannot be disinfected satisfactorily, the chief inspector may order in writing that it be destroyed, and the person who holds such article must comply with such order.”

5. Section 38 of the Act is amended by inserting “and stuffing” after “stuffed articles” in paragraph *e*.

REGULATION RESPECTING STUFFING AND UPHOLSTERED AND STUFFED ARTICLES

6. The Regulation respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles (chapter M-5, r. 1) is amended by inserting the following sections after section 7:

“7.1. The label “RECYCLED MATERIAL ONLY” shall be affixed to recycled stuffing and articles stuffed with recycled stuffing.

When this label is affixed to an upholstered or stuffed article or stuffing, it must contain an indication of the nature of the material contained in the article in accordance with the classification and designation described in Schedule 3.

The terminology must comply with the provisions of Schedule 3 without any other qualifier or term.

“7.2. The label “NEW AND RECYCLED MATERIAL” shall be affixed to stuffing containing new and recycled material and articles stuffed with stuffing containing new and recycled materials.

When this label is affixed to an upholstered or stuffed article or stuffing, it must contain an indication of the nature of the material contained in the article in accordance with the classification and designation described in Schedule 3.

The terminology must comply with the provisions of Schedule 3 without any other qualifier or term.”

7. The Regulation is amended by inserting the following section after section 15:

“15.1. Recycled stuffing shall, prior to being offered for sale, be disinfected in accordance with the processes described in Schedule 6.”

8. Section 2 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation is amended

(1) by replacing “6 models” by “12 models”;

(2) by adding the following models after model 4 in the classification table:

“5A	New and recycled material	9 by 6.4	light blue
5B	New and recycled material	2.5 by 7	light blue
5C	New and recycled material	1.3 by 5.5	light blue
6A	Recycled material only	9 by 6.4	light green
6B	Recycled material only	2.5 by 7	light green
6C	Recycled material only	1.3 by 5.5	light green”.

9. Section 3.3 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation is amended by replacing “1A, 1B and 1C” in paragraph *a* by “1A, 1B, 1C, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6A, 6B and 6C”.

10. Section 3.4.1 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation is amended by replacing “1A, 1B and 1C” by “1A, 1B, 1C, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6A, 6B and 6C”.

11. Section 3.4.2 of Schedule 2 to the Regulation is amended by replacing “1A, 1B and 1C” by “1A, 1B, 1C, 5A, 5B, 5C, 6A, 6B and 6C”.

12. Schedule 2 to the Regulation is amended by inserting the following sections after section 4.2.1:

“(4.2.2) The light blue label (Model 5A) shall be used for upholstered furniture and bedding articles, containing “new and recycled material”, the 3 main stuffings used being described, in order of importance, on the label extension.

“(4.2.3) The light blue label (Model 5B) shall be used, subject to section 4.2.4, for all stuffed articles, except upholstered furniture and bedding articles, containing “new and recycled material”, the 3 main stuffings used being described, in order of importance, on the extension.

“(4.2.4) The light blue label (Model 5C) may be used for all small stuffed articles, except upholstered furniture and bedding articles, containing “new and recycled material”, the 3 main stuffings used being described, in order of importance, on the extension.

“(4.2.5) The light green label (Model 6A) shall be used for upholstered furniture and bedding articles containing “recycled material only”, the 3 main stuffings used being described, in order of importance, on the label extension.

“(4.2.6) The light green label (Model 6B) shall be used, subject to section 4.2.7, for all stuffed articles, except upholstered furniture and bedding articles, containing “recycled material only”, the 3 main stuffings used being described, in order of importance, on the extension.

“(4.2.7) The light green label (Model 6C) may be used for all small stuffed articles, except upholstered furniture and bedding articles, containing “recycled material only”, the 3 main stuffings used being described, in order of importance, on the extension.”

13. Schedule 2 to the Regulation is amended by adding the following after Label Model 4:

“Label Model 5A

Furniture and Bedding Articles

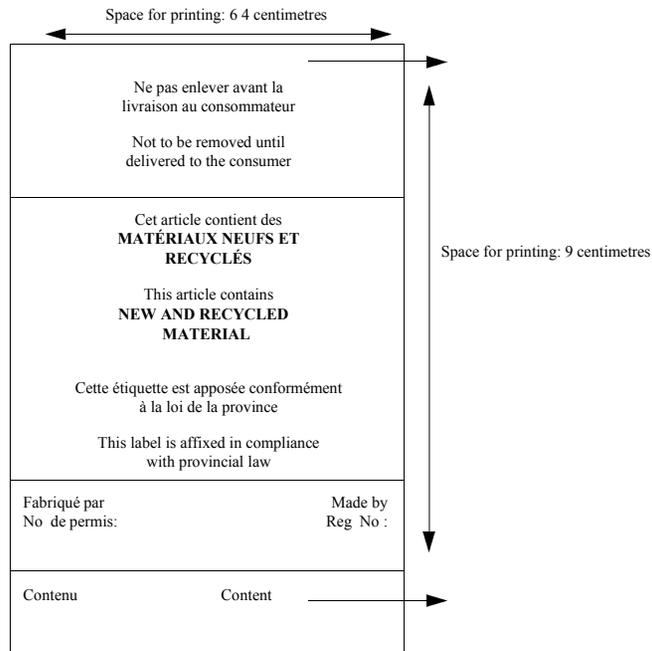
Black lettering on light blue background

The space for printing does not include the trim for attachment, nor the part of the label containing the following information:

the name of the manufacturer, if the manufacturer so desires;

the type of stuffing material up to the 3 main stuffing materials;

any information prescribed or permitted by other Acts.



“Label Model 5B

Other Stuffed Articles

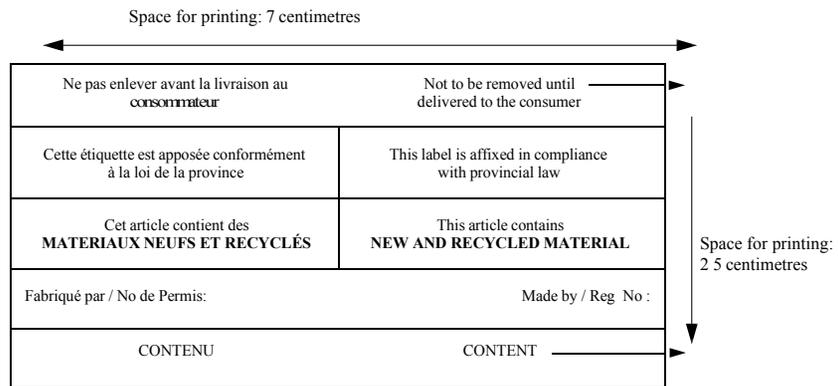
Black lettering on light blue background

The space for printing does not include the trim for attachment, nor the part of the label containing the following information:

the name of the manufacturer, if the manufacturer so desires;

the type of stuffing material up to the 3 main stuffing materials;

any information prescribed or permitted by other Acts.



“Label Model 5C

Small Articles

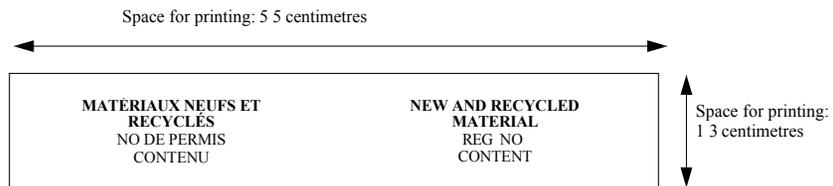
Black lettering on light blue background

The space for printing does not include the trim for attachment, nor the part of the label containing the following information:

the name of the manufacturer, if the manufacturer so desires;

the type of stuffing material up to the 3 main stuffing materials;

any information prescribed or permitted by other Acts.



“Label Model 6A

Furniture and Bedding Articles

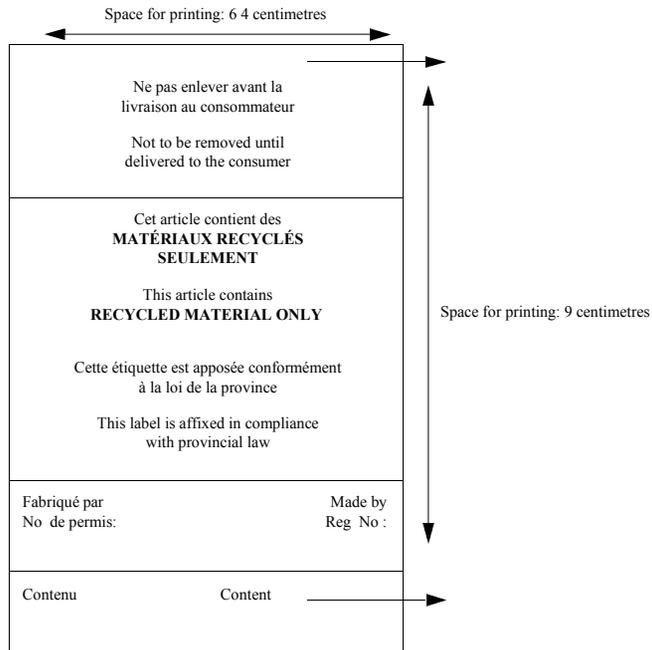
Black lettering on light green background

The space for printing does not include the trim for attachment, nor the part of the label containing the following information:

the name of the manufacturer, if the manufacturer so desires;

the type of stuffing material up to the 3 main stuffing materials;

any information prescribed or permitted by other Acts.



“Label Model 6B

Other Stuffed Articles

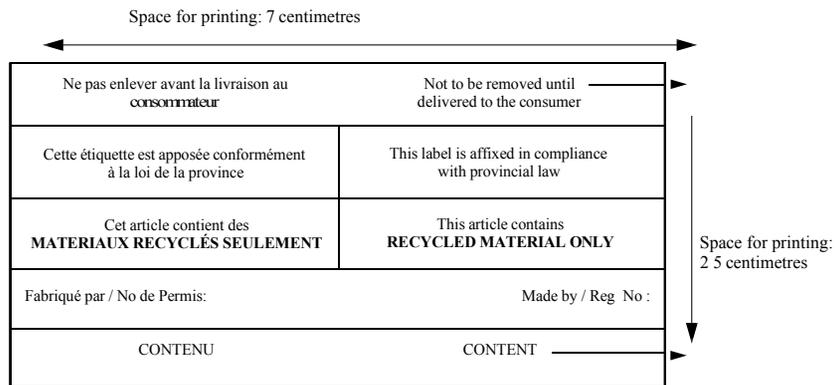
Black lettering on light green background

The space for printing does not include the trim for attachment, nor the part of the label containing the following information:

the name of the manufacturer, if the manufacturer so desires;

the type of stuffing material up to the 3 main stuffing materials;

any information prescribed or permitted by other Acts.



“Label Model 6C

Small Articles

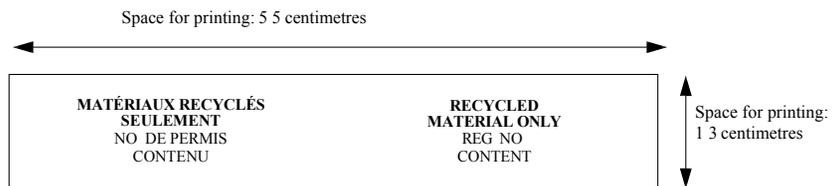
Black lettering on light green background

The space for printing does not include the trim for attachment, nor the part of the label containing the following information:

the name of the manufacturer, if the manufacturer so desires;

the type of stuffing material up to the 3 main stuffing materials;

any information prescribed or permitted by other Acts.



14. Section 2 of Schedule 3 to the Regulation is amended by adding the following at the end:

“—Recycled textile fibers”.

15. Schedule 3 to the Regulation is amended by adding the following section at the end:

“(3.9) **Recycled textile fibers**—Textile fibers within the meaning of section 1 of the Act respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles (chapter M-5).”

FINAL PROVISION

16. This Act comes into force on the date of coming into force of a regulation that sets out Schedule 6 to the Regulation respecting stuffing and upholstered and stuffed articles (chapter M-5, r. 1), which schedule is to determine the disinfection treatment recycled textile fibers must undergo prior to being offered for sale as stuffing, except section 5, which comes into force on (*insert the date of assent to this Act*).

