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AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE CARGO SECUREMENT STANDARDS REGULATION

On June 27, 2012, the Gouvernement du Québec passed the *Regulation amending the Cargo Securement Standards Regulation*. This regulation was published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* on July 11 and came into force on July 26, 2012.

The *Cargo Securement Standards Regulation* is harmonized with the provisions of Standard 10 of the National Safety Code on Cargo Securement. This standard is available on the website of the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) at <http://ccmta.ca/english/index.cfm>.

The regulatory amendments are as follows:

- The addition of a penalty imposed for the non compliance with the requirement of provision 11(4) of Standard N°10. This requirement concerns the obligation to use a tiedown marked by the manufacturer with a working load limit (WLL);
- The monetary amounts of penalties imposed for offences under section 471 of the *Highway Safety Code* relating to provisions 4(2) and 4(3) of Standard 10 have been reduced, harmonizing them with other similar wrongdoing provisions.

These provisions pertain to the following general performance criteria for cargo securement systems:

4(2) The components of a cargo securement system:

- Shall be in proper working order and fit for the purpose for which they are used;
- Shall have no knots, damaged or weakened components that will adversely affect their performance for cargo securement purposes; and shall not have any cracks or cuts.

4(3) A securing device or integral locking device used to secure cargo to a vehicle shall itself be secured in a manner that prevents it from becoming unfastened while the vehicle is on a highway.

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