

THE ENGINEERING PROFESSION IN QUÉBEC

There are several acts and regulations that define professional practice in Québec. The engineering profession is no exception. The Professional Code, Engineers Act, Charter of the French Language and some fifteen other regulations govern the professional activities of engineers.

This extensive legislation is all founded on the same principle: protection of the public. This is the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec's (OIQ) principal function and its primary concern is therefore to verify the skills of those who apply for admission to its ranks.

Only persons who hold a permit issued by the Bureau of the OIQ and are registered on the roll as an engineer can use the title of engineer and perform those professional activities reserved for engineers.

PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING THE ENGINEER'S PERMIT IN QUÉBEC

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Upon graduation, a Quebec bachelor in engineering will follow this path: A \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 6, etc.

The following conditions must therefore be fulfilled to obtain the engineer's permit:

- Pass the Professional Examination
 - You can register to the exam as soon as you are entered on the roll of OIQ.
- DEMONSTRATE THAT YOU HAVE ACQUIRED 36 MONTHS OF ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE
 - These credits can possibly apply:
 - 8 months upon successfully completing the sponsorship activities (optional).
 - 4 months (max.) for experience acquired during the second half of your engineering program.
 - The actual duration can in fact be reduced to 24 months.
- PROFICIENCY IN THE FRENCH LANGUAGE will have to be demonstrated before reaching step 10.

Other considerations:

- You will be registered on the roll of OIQ as a **JUNIOR ENGINEER**; the "Engineer-in-Training" title is no longer used in Québec for new members.
- Engineering experience acquired in Québec more than six months prior to the date of registration on the roll as a Junior Engineer WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Before joining the OIQ as a Junior Engineer, why not adhere to the Student Section as soon as you reach 30 credits in your program?

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