

## 1 Eligibility Criteria

- A. Be a handicapped person, that is, “a person with a deficiency causing a significant and persistent disability (impairment), who is liable to encounter barriers in performing everyday activities.”
- B. Have mobility limitations that justify the use of paratransit services.

**Accordingly, a temporary limitation (for example, a broken leg) cannot qualify a person for paratransit eligibility.**

You can access the *Paratransit Eligibility Policy* on the website of the ministère des Transports at [www.mtq.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.mtq.gouv.qc.ca) under the heading “Persons with disabilities”

## 2 Steps

- A. Part 1: To be filled out by the applicant.
- B. Part 2: To be completed by a professional of the health care or education networks who has access to the diagnosis of the applicant’s condition.

Examples: a cardiologist, a lung specialist or a neurologist;  
an occupational therapist, a physical therapist or a physiatrist;  
a physical rehabilitation therapist;  
an optometrist or an ophthalmologist;  
a visual impairment rehabilitation specialist;  
a spatial orientation and mobility specialist;  
a psychologist, a psychoeducator or a psychiatrist;  
a special education technician;  
a social worker;  
a general practitioner (family medicine);  
a nurse.

- C. For your application, be sure to send in:  Completed and signed application form  
 Proof of age<sup>1</sup> (photocopy of your birth certificate or health insurance card)  
 One (1) recent picture (in color) in passport size identifying applicant on the back

Send to the following address:

Transcollines - Eligibility committee  
Mme Stéphanie Turcotte-Robertson, Officier délégué  
5 Principale Ouest, C.P. 70  
La Pêche (Québec) J0X 2W0

<sup>1</sup> Proof of age is required in the case of accompaniment services for parental duties, free services for young children and reduced rates for students and persons aged 65 and over.

**NO OTHER FORM MAY BE USED TO MAKE A VALID APPLICATION FOR  
PARATRANSIT ELIGIBILITY.**



To be filled out by the eligibility officer

File number			
Date of receipt of the application	Year	Month	Day

**Part 1 - General Information**

An application is to be completed by the applicant, by a person designated by the applicant or by the applicant's legal representative, where the applicant is unable to act. **Any incomplete or illegible application will be returned to the applicant, which delays processing of the application.** The confidentiality of the information conveyed will be maintained under the Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information. The information on the application is for the sole use of the eligibility committee.

**SECTION 1**

**Information on the applicant**

**PRINT (REQUIRED)**

Family name					First name						
Family name at birth (if different)											
Home address		No.		Street				Apt. No.			
Municipality								Postal Code			
Name of residential facility (if applicable)								Room No.			
Telephone Home		Area code		Number		Work		Area code		Number	Extension
Cell		Area code		Number		Fax		Area code		Number	
Email address											
I agree to receive information or offers from my paratransit service provider <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No											
Date of birth		Year		Month		Day		Gender		Weight	Height
								<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male			
Language spoken		<input type="checkbox"/> French		<input type="checkbox"/> English		Other means of communication					
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify: _____		Specify: _____							

**SECTION 2**

**Questions relating to paratransit eligibility and to the type of accompaniment.**

**1 Why are you applying for paratransit eligibility?**

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### SECTION 3

#### References and signature

**1 Is there a professional other than the one completing the attestation of disability (Part 2 of the form) the eligibility committee could reach, if necessary, to facilitate the study of your application?**

Family name			First name		
Position			Name of facility (if any)		
Telephone	Area code	Number	Extension	Prof. licence No. (if any)	

**2 If the applicant is not the person completing this Part, give the name of the person who does so on his or her behalf.**

Family name			First name			
Telephone	Area code	Number	Work	Area code	Number	Extension
Home						
Cell	Area code	Number	Relationship to applicant			
Name of facility (if any)						

**3 Person to contact in case of emergency.**

Family name			First name			
Telephone	Area code	Number	Work	Area code	Number	Extension
Home						
Cell	Area code	Number	Relationship to applicant			
Name of facility (if any)						

#### Applicant's authorization

I certify that the information provided is accurate. I understand that a false statement could lead to the rejection of my eligibility application or the withdrawal of my paratransit eligibility. I hereby consent to have the eligibility committee review all the information provided on this form and in any supporting documents. I also authorize the committee to contact any person indicated in Question 1 of this Section, and the persons completing Part 2 of the form or any other attestation submitted with the application, for the purpose of validating the information conveyed or for obtaining further information, as required. I understand that, if I am declared eligible, only the information necessary for my travel, my safety and my comfort will be disclosed to paratransit service providers.

#### Signature required

Applicant's signature

Signature of representative on behalf of applicant unable to act

Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

*You may append additional information in support of your eligibility or your paratransit needs.*

## Part 2 - Attestation of Disability (to be completed by a professional)

Please ensure that this part is properly filled out, otherwise processing of the application and access to paratransit service will be delayed.

### 1 A. What is the principal diagnosis on the applicant's record which causes mobility limitations?

Since when? \_\_\_\_\_

Check off and specify, if appropriate, the medical classification of the diagnosis in terms of functional impairment (level, class, stage):

- Intellectual disability ▶ level (mild, moderate, severe, profound) \_\_\_\_\_
- Respiratory deficiency ▶ class \_\_\_\_\_ / V
- Cardiac deficiency (New York Heart Association) ▶ class \_\_\_\_\_ / IV
- Parkinson's disease (Hoehn and Yahr Scale) ▶ stage \_\_\_\_\_ / V
- Traumatic brain injury ▶ level (mild, moderate, severe) \_\_\_\_\_
- Alzheimer's disease (Reisberg's Scale or Global Deterioration Scale [DAT]) ▶ stage \_\_\_\_\_ / 7
- Other ▶ Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

### B. Indicate any other diagnosis related to the need for paratransit service.

### 2 Does the applicant's condition allow foreseeing a possible recovery?

- No ▶ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes ▶ Indicate the timeframe and explain:  within a year \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- longer than a year \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### 3 Does the applicant have one of the disabilities described below?

- No ▶ Go to Question 11.
- Yes ▶ Check off the applicant's limitations in one or more areas (eligibility criteria).
- 1. Walk 400 metres on even ground.
  - 2. Climb a step 35 cm high with support or descend without support.
  - 3. Make an entire trip using public transit because of extreme susceptibility to fatigue.
  - 4. Keep track of time.
  - 5. Find one's bearings.
  - 6. Master situations or behaviour that could compromise one's own safety or that of others.
  - 7. Communicate orally or through sign language. N.B.: this limitation alone cannot qualify the applicant for paratransit eligibility.

### 4 When do the disabilities indicated in Question 3 become apparent (if there is more than one disability, please write down the corresponding numbers from Question 3 in the appropriate boxes)?

- Throughout the year     Only in winter     Only after dusk
- Only when the applicant faces certain geographic obstacles. ▶ Specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Only when the applicant travels with a dependent child under the age of 6.
- When the trip is unfamiliar, overly complex or involves a dangerous intersection.
- Only when the applicant travels for hemodialysis.
- In certain situations or intermittently ▶ Specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**5 Questions that are specific to certain impairments or disabilities: *answer only those that are relevant.***

**A. Motor, neurological or internal organ impairment**

Specify, where appropriate, the type of functional assessment conducted and the result:

Berg scale (balance) \_\_\_\_\_

Other ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**1) Ability to walk on even ground (specify)**

A) Maximum distance (in metres) that the person can cover \_\_\_\_\_

B) Time required to cover the distance \_\_\_\_\_

C) Condition of the person after walking this distance \_\_\_\_\_

**2) Ability to climb a step with support or descend without support (specify)**

A) Height of step the person can climb with support \_\_\_\_\_

B) Height the person can descend from without support \_\_\_\_\_

C) Limitation observed: range, muscular weakness, pain, balance \_\_\_\_\_

**3) Ability to take regular transit for a round trip**

A) At any time ► Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

B) Intermittently ► Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Visual deficiency (check off and specify)**

**Visual acuity:**

Far-sight vision with prescription lens (in metrics):

RE \_\_\_\_\_ LE \_\_\_\_\_ Both eyes \_\_\_\_\_

**Visual field:**

Under 20° ►  RE \_\_\_\_\_  LE \_\_\_\_\_

Over 20° ►  RE \_\_\_\_\_  LE \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Epilepsy**

Indicate if the condition is under control with medication:

No ► No medication succeeds in fully controlling seizures. Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

Partially under control ► Specify since when: \_\_\_\_\_

Give specifics on the nature of seizures (types and signs) and any side effects of medication (if applicable):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do particular situations provoke seizures? Yes ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If the person has severe seizures (with unconsciousness or convulsions), state how many times weekly on average these seizures occur:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, explain how the person's safety is compromised during travel: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**D. Severe and persistent mental health problems (complete Section F also, if applicable)**

Are the person's disabilities controlled with medication?

No ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Cognitive disorders (complete Section F also, if applicable)**

Specify if the person has cognitive problems (e.g., understanding, judgment, memory).

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**F. Behaviour problems**

In a transportation situation, could the person exhibit a behaviour problem (impulsiveness, aggressiveness, self-mutilation, runaway risk, etc.) that could be detrimental to his or her own safety or to that of other passengers, of which the carrier should be informed if the person is declared eligible for paratransit?

No

Yes ► Indicate the nature of the problem and how it manifests itself: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

► Indicate the kind of situation that could lead to a transit-related behaviour problem: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**G. Communication problems**

Can the person communicate?

Verbally

Using signs

With major speech problems

Using gestures

No communication ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Other ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**6 A. Do the person's limitations require the use of one of the following mobility aids to facilitate travel on paratransit?**

None ► Go to Question 7.

Walker ►  folding  non-folding

Rolling walker

Cane ► Specify the type: \_\_\_\_\_

Crutches

Guide dog or assistance dog (certified by a recognized school)

Three-wheeled scooter or four-wheeled scooter

Wheelchair ►  motorized

manual (rigid)

manual (folding)

Other ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Must the person use this aid?**

All the time

Occasionally

Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Can the person using a manual wheelchair perform a self-transfer to the seat of a vehicle?**

No, even with someone's assistance

Yes, without help

Yes, with someone's assistance

**D. Does the person require bottled oxygen during paratransit travel?**

No

Yes

**7 If the applicant is declared eligible for paratransit, will the help of someone on board the vehicle be needed in light of the person's disabilities?**

No

No, not if certain measures are taken to alleviate behaviour problems during travel.

► Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Yes, temporarily during a period of familiarization of: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, all the time. ► Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**8 Has the person been registered for a course in orientation and mobility, a learning or familiarization process (treatment or behaviour therapy), or to rehabilitation for the purpose of using regular public transit?**

No, because:

The person does not have the potential. ► Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

The person has the potential, but there is no regular public transit in the municipality.

Other ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, supervised by: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of facility: \_\_\_\_\_

Start date: \_\_\_\_\_ Probable duration: \_\_\_\_\_ End date: \_\_\_\_\_

If this initiative proved fruitless, explain the reasons:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**9 A. Could the person use regular public transit for some travel without accompaniment?**

No ► Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, for all trips.

Yes, except in certain situations. ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, for certain particular trips. ► Specify the origin and destination of those trips:

Origin

Destination

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**B. Could the person use regular public transit when accompanied?**

No ► Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes

**10 The information contained in this document concerning the diagnosis and assessment of disabilities comes from:**

An assessment of the applicant. ► Specify the type of assessment, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

The applicant's record:  Diagnosis ► Specify the date: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessment of disabilities ► Specify the date: \_\_\_\_\_

Other ► Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**11 How long have you been treating or providing services to that person?**

This form was filled out by:

Family name, first name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Prof. licence No. (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Stamp or seal of  
the professional  
or facility

Stamp or seal

I certify that the information provided on (indicate first and family name) Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ or

Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ is accurate. I understand that a false statement could lead to the rejection of the applicant eligibility application or the withdrawal of paratransit eligibility.

Signature required

Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

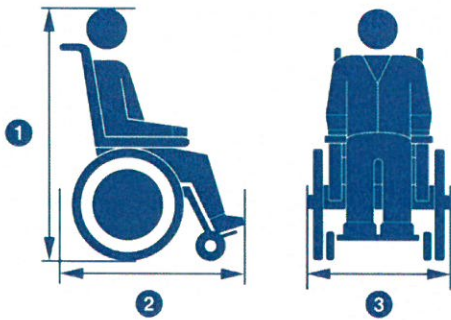
*You may append additional information you deem necessary in support of this attestation.*

**THE CONTENT OF THIS FORM IS PRESCRIBED BY THE MINISTÈRE DES TRANSPORTS DU QUÉBEC.**

This part must be completed by the applicant, by a person designated by the applicant or by the authorized person (applicant's legal representative) if the applicant is unable to act.

The information provided shall remain confidential and for the exclusive use of the eligibility committee.

**1. For wheelchairs (motorized and manual) or scooters, please provide the following measurements:**



1) Maximum height: (from the ground to the highest part)	_____
2) Overall length:	_____
3) Overall width: (maximum width of the wheelchair)	_____

**2. If the person is accepted for paratransit service, will his/her limitations require the assistance of an attendant at the destination?**

- Yes The person is not autonomous and cannot be left unattended. The driver must ensure that the person is in the care of an attendant before driving away.
- No The person is autonomous, the driver can leave him/her unattended at the destination.

**3. Additional emergency contact.**

Would you like to add the information for another contact person in case of an emergency?

Last name		First name	
Telephone no.	Home	Work	Extension
Cell	E-mail address		
Relationship to the applicant		Name of institution (if applicable)	