



10 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE RDPRM

REGISTER OF PERSONAL AND MOVABLE REAL RIGHTS

08. When can the RDPRM be consulted?

BY INTERNET:

Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

BY PHONE:

Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m.* to 4:30 p.m.
*Wednesdays beginning at 10 a.m.

IN PERSON:

Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m.* to 4:00 p.m.
*Wednesdays beginning at 10 a.m.

FEES

09. How much do registration and consultation cost?

The fee for registration depends on its duration.

For consultation, the fee varies depending on the mode of consultation (Internet or telephone) and the search criterion (VIN, public body or individual).

A detailed list of fees for the consultation and the registration of a right is available on the RDPRM website: www.rdprm.gouv.qc.ca

10. What forms of payment are accepted?

For Internet and phone consultation, and the online registration of a right, only credit card payment is accepted (Visa, MasterCard or American Express).

For registration and consultation in person, cash, credit cards, debit cards and cheques are accepted.

For registration by mail, only credit cards and cheques are accepted.

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THE RDPRM IN A FEW WORDS

Do you want to buy a vehicle but also want to make sure that it is free of all debts? Have you been appointed as the liquidator of a succession? Do you want to find out more about a person's matrimonial regime? These are just some of the reasons for consulting the Register of personal and movable real rights (RDPRM).

01. What is the RDPRM?

The RDPRM is a computerized government register that makes public certain rights concerning movable property and individuals. A right registered in the RDPRM is deemed to be generally known. If a person fails to consult the register, and if a problem then arises (for example, the property is seized), the person cannot raise the defence of being unaware of the right registered in the register.

02. What rights are registered in the RDPRM?

The rights on movable property registered in the RDPRM relate, for example, to hypothecs, reservations of ownership (under an instalment sale), or rights under a long-term lease that affect a road vehicle (such as a car, motorcycle, or snowmobile), commercial goods (such as equipment, tools, inventory or accounts payable), other items such as boats, tractors, personal watercraft, recreational vehicles, mobile homes and all-terrain vehicles, high-value objects (such as works of art or jewellery), and financial instruments (such as shares or bonds).

The main personal rights that must be registered in the RDPRM are: notices of marriage contracts or civil union contracts, notices of divorce and the rights relating to the liquidation of a succession.

REGISTERING A RIGHT

03. Why register a right in the RDPRM?

Registration in the RDPRM ensures that a right is protected, for example when financing a purchase of movable property or settling a succession.

04. Who is responsible for registering rights in the RDPRM?

In general, the holder of a right, such as a financial institution, a professional (lawyer, notary), or the liquidator of a succession, is responsible for registering the right in the RDPRM.

05. What is the process for submitting an application to register a right in the RDPRM?

An application for registration is filed using an Internet or printed form provided free of charge by the Registrar of personal and movable real rights. Once the form has been completed following the instructions, it must be sent electronically or by mail, or delivered in person. The Registrar checks that all the required elements are present and that the relevant fees have been paid, and then registers the right in the RDPRM.



CONSULTING THE RDPRM

06. Why consult the RDPRM?

It is possible, by consulting the RDPRM, to find out if movable property is debt-free (for example, when buying a car) or to discover the identity of the person liquidating a succession.

The RDPRM does not contain the contracts or judgments that give rise to the rights registered. Only notices stating their existence appear. To view the original contract or judgment, users must contact the person or institution concerned (such as a party to the contract, a notary, an enterprise, a financial institution, or a court office).

07. How is the RDPRM consulted?

The RDPRM can be consulted online, by phone, or by requesting an official document (certified statement).

For a road vehicle, the RDPRM is consulted using

- the VIN (17-character vehicle identification number generally found on the registration certificate and on the dashboard);

and

- the name of the owner (the date of birth is also required in the case of an individual).

In all other cases, the RDPRM is consulted using a name, in particular for successions, marital status, and property other than road vehicles (such as boats, tractors, motor vehicles, mobile homes, personal watercraft, equipment and inventories).