



COMMUNIQUÉ

To: All vehicle mechanic repair shops in Quebec

Subject: Directives of the Quebec government regarding priority and non-priority services and activities during the pause period in the province of Quebec, until April 13, 2020, in order to curb the spread of COVID-19

As published at on their [webpage](#), the Quebec government has ordered to reduce to a minimum all non-priority services and activities as of March 25, 2020, at 00:01 and until April 13, 2020. Under the heading **“Information for businesses and priority services”**, the government designates what those are.

The “Priority services in the field of transportation and logistics” section lists the following business sector:

Service stations and mechanical repair of cars, tow truck and trucking services and specialized equipment for essential industries and roadside assistance.

During our discussions with authorities, it was clearly established that garages are allowed to remain open solely for the maintenance and repair of emergency vehicles as well as the vehicles used by people working in essential services, for instance a car used by a doctor or a grocery store clerk.

Due to the distancing directive and hygiene measures required by the government, the installation of summer tires, oil changes, and the maintenance or repair work on vehicles used by people who do not work in essential services must be postponed. We leave to your judgment the decision regarding any other situation that might arise, especially in cases where someone’s safety is at risk.

We urge you to take all the necessary precautions to ensure your staff’s health and safety, and we remind you that each of us is responsible for ensuring that when any action is taken, the government’s guidelines are fully complied with in order to curb the spread of the coronavirus. That is our priority.

Thank you!

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