

In 2009 the Matane–Baie-Comeau–Godbout ferry revised its dangerous goods procedures to make it easier to load the ferry when vehicles are carrying these types of goods. These new procedures have been in force **since June 15, 2009**.

Société des traversiers du Québec (STQ)'s policy for transporting dangerous goods is regulated by Transport Canada and the 2001 *Canada Shipping Act*. Various legal obligations and the wide range of products affected can make understanding and applying these procedures difficult.

The transportation of small quantities of a number of products for personal use (aerosols, vehicle anti-freeze, glue, air cylinders, air tanks for underwater diving, fire arms and munitions, cleaning products, propane, gas, paint, and so on) is permitted on board our ferries. There are specific restrictions, such as the quantity and the type of container permitted, for most of these products.

# MATANE– BAIE-COMEAU–GODBOUT FERRY



## Dangerous Goods Declaration

Individuals who do not inform STQ staff that they are carrying dangerous goods are breaking Canadian law and may be fined or prosecuted.

For more information, call our reservation staff 7 days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., June 8 to September 11, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. the rest of the year at **418-562-2500** or toll free at **1-877-562-6560**.

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## Transportation of Dangerous Goods



## A Guide for Noncommercial Vehicles

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## RVs

(Tent-Trailers, Trailers, Motorhomes)



### AMOUNT PERMITTED per RV or trailer

**2 bottles** of propane or liquefied petroleum gas (e.g., ethene, propene, butane) up to a total of no more than **65 liters** are permitted, along with **a gas container of no more than 25 liters**. A third 65 liter cylinder of propane is permitted, if the RV or trailer has a portable barbecue.



Each propane cylinder must be firmly attached to the vehicle or trailer. Drivers must check the following:

- Bottles must be attached at the back of the vehicle on the outside and be protected by the bumper.
- Bottles must never be attached to the roof or door or forward of the front axle and must never extend beyond the vehicle's sides.
- Valves on each gas cylinder must be completely closed. Wharf staff will put a red STQ sticker on each cylinder to show it has been inspected.

## Vehicles Towing a Trailer Carrying One or More Motor Vehicles

Trailers may not be used to carry more than the following at the same time:

- One (1) boat or
- Two (2) motorcycles or
- Two (2) jet skis or
- Two (2) snowmobiles or
- Two (2) all-terrain vehicles

### AMOUNT PERMITTED per trailer

Trailers may contain no more than **2 gas containers, each containing no more than 25 liters**, in addition to the tanks used to power the motor vehicles.



Each vehicle transported must be properly secured inside the trailer. The gas tank of the vehicle in the trailer must not be full to prevent spillages during the crossing.

## Cars and Pickup Trucks Carrying Propane Tanks or Gas Containers

In addition to the tank used to power the vehicle, a 25 liters gas container may be transported, provided that the container is designed for the transportation of gas and is properly secured to the vehicle.

## Foot Passengers

Foot passengers may not carry gas containers inside the ferry. Goods such as propane gas cylinders and outboard motors are permitted under certain conditions and must be stored on board in the designated areas.