

Off-cycle product call

Vaping products

Battery

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The Société québécoise du cannabis presents its call for off-cycle products to select suppliers of vaping cartridges.

The following product call will be launched on December 10, 2024, and will end on January 31, 2025, at 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Suppliers that would like to submit a product offer should complete the documentation required using the submission form titled *Product submission form – battery*, available on SQDC.ca at this [link](#).

SQDC will communicate its decision to bidding suppliers on March 28, 2025.

→ The submitted products should be ready for sale on November 1, 2025. The SQDC reserves the right to postpone the product call dates and the product start-of-sale date.

For any questions regarding this product call, please email our team at the following address: soumission_produits@sqdc.ca.

Compliance elements and desired features

Compliance with laws and regulations

The product and the producer are required to comply with all laws and regulations, including the ***Cannabis Act***, the ***Cannabis Regulations***, the ***Cannabis Regulation Act*** and the ***Regulation to determine other classes of cannabis that may be sold by the Société québécoise du cannabis and certain standards respecting the composition and characteristics of cannabis*** as well as the ***Regulation respecting the language of commerce and business***.

Product selection: battery

The SQDC will favour products compliant with its mission to protect health.

Compliance elements and desired features

1 Compliance control list

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- 1.1. UL1642 certificate or equivalent**
 - 1.2. UL8139 certificate or equivalent**
 - 1.3. UN38.3 certificate or equivalent**
 - 1.4. CSA-E62133 certificate or equivalent**
 - 1.5. The supplier shall provide the following information to the SQDC when submitting the product:**
 - 1.5.1.** Safety data sheets (SDS).
 - 1.5.2.** Detail the battery's temperature control mechanisms
 - 1.5.2.1.** Minimum and maximum voltage.
 - 1.5.2.2.** Maximum duration of heating or deactivation. Function that allows inhalation to be controlled using a limited duration to avoid overheating.
 - 1.5.2.3.** Provide details of any other integrated control system (pulsing system, thermostat, etc.).
 - 1.6. The accessory should only be intended for and compatible with vape cartridges with a 510 connector.**
 - 1.7. The battery is to be neutral in shape, design and components. It shall not be attractive to young people, particularly in terms of color and shape, and must not be designed to be concealed or confused with any other object.**
 - 1.8. In evaluating the products, the SQDC will favour those with the following functions and features:**
 - 1.8.1.** An optimized design allowing the vape cartridge to be visible in the connector, without obstruction and ensuring the visibility of the standardized cannabis symbol.
 - 1.8.2.** The presence of a digital screen showing the resistance of the inserted cartridge.
 - 1.8.3.** Presence of an on/off button.
 - 1.8.4.** Several successive clicks are required to turn the battery on or off, or any other mechanism preventing a person unfamiliar with the device from using it.
 - 1.8.5.** Temperature control allowing the user to select the voltage or temperature for the product used.
 - 1.8.6.** Preheating function.
 - 1.8.7.** In order to offer an accessory favouring lower-risk inhaling conditions, the SQDC prioritizes batteries with the most functions.
 - 1.8.8.** The sales unit shall include the accessories needed to recharge the battery as well as French-language instructions for use and the manufacturer's guarantees.
 - 1.8.9.** A maximum battery voltage of 3.5V, with the option of vaping at a lower voltage (between 2V and 2.2V for the lowest level).
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- The proposed accessory shall be sent to the SQDC at the following address by no later than the product call end date:**
- Product Management
7355, rue Notre-Dame Est
Montréal (Québec), H1N 3S7
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- Important:** When sending samples to the SQDC, the contents of the shipping case should include the sales unit as it will be sold to consumers, including the instructions for use, the manufacturer's guarantees, a clear indication of the supplier providing the product and the contact information of a resource person for any questions about the accessory.
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Type of product sought

	Battery type	Price bracket	Number of products sought
1	510 connector	All price brackets	2

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