

Other Canadian services with offices in Paris include several law firms, stockbrokers, insurance companies, one advertising agency, two consulting engineers, a computer rental company, a firm offering computer time and services, and transportation firms such as Air Canada, Canadian Airlines International, Wardair, Canadian National and Canadian Pacific shipping.

National Regulations

Labelling. For all consumer products, it is compulsory that the directions for use and warranty certificate be in French and the measures in metric units. Special labelling requirements apply to fresh fruit and vegetables, preserved and semi-preserved fruits and vegetables, quick frozen foods, food additives, coffee, and textiles. Electric motors must be labelled indicating their conformity to EEC standards.

Fresh fruit and vegetables from Canada and other countries must be labelled as to country of origin, variety, quality and class according to the EEC grading system. Preserved and semi-preserved fruits and vegetables must bear the date of manufacture on the outer wrapper or container.

Prepackaged foods must be marked with an optimal date of utilization.

Any product illegally bearing a trademark, trade name, or commercial mark is subject to seizure at the time of importation.

Hallmarking. Articles of gold, silver or platinum may be imported into France only when they meet the standard requirement by law for similar articles of French manufacture. Such importations, even of semi-manufactured articles, must be sent under bond to the Bureau de la Garantie in any major city to be assayed and stamped.

Certificates. Certificates of origin are required for shipments processed or transformed in countries other than the country of origin, natural mineral waters, certain carpets and rugs, coffee and textile items. Certificates of origin may be certified by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce or a board of trade.

French regulations specify that an indication of origin must appear on all foreign products, natural or manufactured, which bear on their packing or their labelling a trademark,