

at a convenient point or points within the coal mining fields, not less than two complete resuscitating outfits and two full rescue outfits, of type recommended by the United States Bureau of Mines and approved by the Bureau, which shall be available for instruction of rescue crews and for immediate use whenever needed in rescue work.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 165. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 164.

**165.** The operator of every gaseous coal mine employing as many as one hundred men underground shall endeavor to have trained for rescue work as many as three crews of four men each from his employees; and in such mines employing less than one hundred men, at least one such crew of four men; instructions and facilities to be provided for such crews by the Bureau, and such crews to be permitted to use the apparatus of the Bureau for training purposes under regulation of the Bureau.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 166. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 165.

**166.** The operator of each coal mine shall report monthly to the district mine inspector on blanks provided by the Bureau, such information as the Bureau may require regarding all fatal and serious accidents that have occurred in and about such mine.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 167. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 166.

**167.** Whenever any district mine inspector receives notice of the occurrence of a fatal accident occurring at any mine in this State, it shall be the duty of such inspector to go immediately to such mine, to inquire fully into the cause of the accident and to report thereon to the Bureau in writing; a copy of which report shall be sent to the operator of such mine. To enable the district mine inspector to make such inquiry and report, he shall have power to require the attendance of witnesses and to administer oaths and affirmations to them. If any person shall neglect or refuse to obey the summons of such inspector, for such purpose issued, or to testify, except such refusal be privileged, such inspector shall certify the said person for such neglect or refusal to the Circuit Court for the county within which the investigation is held, and the judge thereof shall punish such neglect or refusal as for a contempt. The costs of such investigations shall be paid by the county within which the accident may occur, upon the warrant of the Chief Mine Engineer on a voucher of the district mine inspector certifying the same.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 168. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 167.

**168.** In case of serious accident in or about any such mine, involving or threatening injury to persons and property, upon receiving notice it shall be the duty of the district mine inspector to proceed to the scene of the accident and to direct the work of rescue, relief and restoration; and he may request the Chief Mine Engineer to come or to detail additional district mine inspectors to assist if necessary.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 169. 1922, ch. 307, sec. 168.

**169.** Persons not employees of a mine and not authorized, nor permitted by law, shall not enter such mine until the operator has consented, nor until and when accompanied by a competent guide authorized therefor by such operator.