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7-305. EXAMINATION OF APPLICANT FOR DIFFERENT CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCE.

(A) IN GENERAL.—ANY APPLICANT FOR A CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE SHALL ANSWER IN WRITING AT LEAST TEN QUESTIONS DESIGNED TO DISCOVER HIS KNOWLEDGE OF MINING THEORY, INCLUDING VENTILATION, DRAINAGE, MINING METHODS, AND THE MINING LAWS OF THE STATE. IN ADDITION, HE SHALL ANSWER ORALLY, IF FEASIBLE DURING A VISIT TO A COAL MINE, AT LEAST TEN QUESTIONS ON PRACTICAL MINE PROBLEMS WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO DISPLAY HIS PERCEPTION, RESOURCEFULNESS, AND PRACTICAL JUDGMENT. THE ORAL QUESTIONS AND REPLIES SHALL BE REDUCED TO WRITING AND BECOME A PART OF THE RECORD OF THE EXAMINATION. THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY SHALL GRADE AN APPLICANT ON A BASIS OF 100 POINTS CREDITED FOR PERFECT ANSWERS, ALLOWING EQUAL WEIGHT FOR EACH QUALIFICATION OF THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE, PERCEPTION, RESOURCEFULNESS, AND JUDGMENT. ANY APPLICANT FAILING TO RECEIVE AN AVERAGE OF AT LEAST 70 POINTS FAILS THE EXAMINATION. EACH APPLICANT SHALL BE NOTIFIED OF HIS GRADE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 66C, section 509 of the Code. The reference to first-class mine foreman certificate and fire-boss certificate has been transferred to subsections (b) and (c), respectively, for purposes of clarity. An applicant must receive at least 70 points in the aggregate to pass the examination. The only other changes made are in style.

(B) FIRST-CLASS MINE FOREMAN CERTIFICATE.—AN APPLICANT FOR A FIRST-CLASS CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE SHALL BE ADMITTED TO AN EXAMINATION AFTER HE FILES, ON A FORM THE EXAMINING AUTHORITY PROVIDES, A SWORN STATEMENT AS TO ANY MATTER OF FACT WHICH ESTABLISHES HIS RIGHT TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION, AND PAYS THE FEE PRESCRIBED FOR THE EXAMINATION. IN THE EXAMINATION FOR FIRST-CLASS MINE FOREMAN CERTIFICATE, THE APPLICANT SHALL BE TESTED AS TO HIS THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE OF NOXIOUS AND EXPLOSIVE GAS FOUND IN A COAL MINE. IN ADDITION, HE SHALL ANSWER ORALLY, IF FEASIBLE DURING A VISIT IN A GASEOUS COAL MINE, AT LEAST TEN QUESTIONS ON PRACTICAL MINE PROBLEMS WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO DISPLAY HIS PERCEPTION, RESOURCEFULNESS, AND PRACTICAL JUDGMENT. THE