

EXAMINATION AND REPORT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Article 66C, section 595 of the Code. The only changes made are in style.

7-443. MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.

(A) IN GENERAL.—THE MINE OPERATOR SHALL PROVIDE AND DELIVER AT THE WORKING FACE OR AS NEAR TO IT AS CAN BE CONVEYED IN A MINE CAR, A SUFFICIENT SUPPLY OF PROPS, CAP PIECES, AND TIMBERS, CUT SQUARE AT ONE END, AND AS NEARLY AS PRACTICABLE TO THE PROPER SIZE AND LENGTH FOR THE PURPOSE INTENDED. EACH WORKER WHO NEEDS TIMBER SHALL NOTIFY THE OPERATOR AT LEAST ONE DAY IN ADVANCE AND INFORM HIM OF THE NUMBER, SIZE, AND LENGTH OF PROPS, CAP PIECES, AND OTHER TIMBER REQUIRED. IN AN EMERGENCY, THE MATERIAL MAY BE ORDERED IN THE MANNER THE OPERATOR MAY PROVIDE. IF THE NECESSARY MATERIAL CANNOT BE SUPPLIED WHEN REQUIRED, THE MINE FOREMAN SHALL INSTRUCT THE WORKMAN TO VACATE THE PLACE UNTIL THE MATERIAL HAS BEEN SUPPLIED. HOWEVER, BEFORE ANY MINER STARTS WORKING IN ANY MINE WHERE WORK HAS NOT RECENTLY BEEN CARRIED ON THE OPERATOR FIRST SHALL TIMBER PROPERLY THE ENTRY, ROOM, OR OTHER EXCAVATION, LAY UP TRACK, AND PREPARE THE AREA FOR THE WORK.

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(B) PRESERVATION OF HEALTH AND SAFETY.—THE OPERATOR SHALL KEEP ON HAND AT ALL TIMES A SUFFICIENT QUANTITY OF MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, AND FACILITIES REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE OR RULES AND REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO IT IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF EACH WORKER. WHENEVER HE CANNOT PROCURE ANY OF THE MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, OR FACILITIES WHEN NEEDED, HE SHALL NOTIFY THE MINE FOREMAN TO WITHDRAW THE WORKERS FROM THE MINE OR ANY AFFECTED PORTION UNTIL THE MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, OR FACILITIES ARE RECEIVED.

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7-444. COAL AND ROCK DUST.

(A) CONTROL OF COAL DUST.—COAL DUST MAY NOT BE