

(b) The examining board shall meet at a place it selects, which is convenient for any applicant for examination. It shall meet specially upon the call of the chairman for the purpose of preparing or conducting an examination. At least 30 days' notice of any meeting for an examination shall be given.

(c) The examining board may make rules and regulations. Copies shall be published and supplied to an applicant upon request.]

[7-209.

Section 7-206 of this subtitle creating the Mine Examining Board and relating to the regulation of mines is of no effect and may not be enforced after July 1, 1981.]

7-301.

(b) "Examining authority" means [either] the Director of the Bureau or his designee when referring to the procedure for grant or suspension of a permit of competence or [the Examining Board, provided for in § 7-206, when referring to the procedure for] grant or suspension of A first-class mine foreman certificate of competence or A fire-boss certificate of competence.

7-302.

[Subject to the provisions of § 7-206 and this subtitle, the] THE examining authority shall inquire into the background and qualifications of each applicant for any certificate or permit of competence. It shall prepare, CORRECT, and grade the individual examinations for the various certificates of competency.

7-312.

ALL FIRST-CLASS MINE FOREMEN AND FIRE-BOSS CERTIFICATE HOLDERS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO CONTINUING EDUCATION EVERY 3 YEARS. THE CONTINUING EDUCATION SHALL EMPHASIZE MINE HEALTH AND SAFETY LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS, ADVANCES IN MINING TECHNOLOGY, AND ADVANCES IN FIRST AID THAT HAVE OCCURRED SINCE THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER'S MOST RECENT EXAMINATION. ALL FIRST-CLASS MINE FOREMEN AND FIRE-BOSS CERTIFICATES ISSUED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1980 SHALL EXPIRE NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 1983 UNLESS REISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 20, 1980.

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