



NEW MEXICO BUREAU OF MINE SAFETY

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General Underground Coal Mine Foreman

2 years of Surface Coal Mine or Surface Area at an Underground Coal Mine Experience
Current New Mexico Underground Coal Mine Foreman Certification
Current in First Aid Training and Annual Refresher training
Certification by MSHA in Methane Detection/Oxygen deficiency
Valid driver's license
Additional information as required in the packet

EXAMINATION TOPICS

- Loading and Haulage and Surface Installations
- Electrical
- Fire Protection
- Explosives & Blasting
- Part 77

Scoring

A score of 80% or better is required for Underground or Surface Mine Foreman Certification.



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Application for General Underground Coal Mine Foreman Exam

1. Name: _____
2. Address: _____
3. MSHA Individual Identification Number _____
4. Date of Birth _____
5. Present Employer: _____
 - a. Mine Name: _____
 - b. Mailing Address: _____
6. Present Position: _____
7. Total Number of years of experience in surface coal mining or surface areas of underground coal mines: _____
8. Certifications held in New Mexico: _____
9. Certifications held in other states: _____
10. MSHA – Methane Detection/Oxygen Deficiency qualification.
11. Please attach (1) letter of recommendation from a company official to include the following:
 - a. Request for applicant to attend the examination for certification
 - b. Verification that applicant meets the certification requirements.
 - c. Verification that applicant is physically capable of performing the duties required of a mine foreman.
 - d. Statement that applicant is current in the Annual Refresher training, or has been trained as an Experienced Miner under 30CFR, Part 48 subpart B.
 - e. Verification of applicants work experience.
12. Please attach a copy of the current Underground Coal Mine Foreman certificate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Instructions for filling out Application For Examination as an Surface Coal Mine Foreman

- A. Items 1-6 are self explanatory.
- B. Item #7. New Mexico state law requires at least 2 years of experience in or about surface coal mine operations or surface areas at underground coal mines.
- C. Item #8. Please attach a photocopy of current Underground Coal Mine Foreman Certificate and any other certificate held in the state of New Mexico. (Item 12)
- D. Item #9. Please attach a photocopy of any certificate held in any state other than New Mexico. Applicants who are certified as Surface Foreman in another state and have at least 4 years of experience in or about surface coal mine operations qualify to sit for the exam.
- E. Item #10. Please attach a photocopy of the MSHA qualification card, or the certification/qualification roster signed by the MSHA qualifying official.
- F. Item #11. Self-explanatory
- G. Item #12. Self-explanatory.

Examination Result Information:

Please insure that you understand that if this box is checked the examination results will be sent to only the applicant and will not be given to the applicants employer either orally or in written form.

If this box is checked the examination results will be sent to the applicant only at the address as stated above, or emailed upon request.

Mailing address:
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