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COAL AND OTHER MINES

Sanitary Conveniences

REGULATIONS, DATED 1ST JUNE 1970, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER SECTION 120 OF THE MINES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1969.

WHEREAS in pursuance of Part I of Schedule 2 to the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(a) the Ministry of Commerce has published notice of its intention to make the following regulations and has not received any objection to the draft thereof in respect to which it is required to refer the draft regulations for inquiry and report:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry of Commerce in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 120 of the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation

1. These regulations may be cited as the Coal and Other Mines (Sanitary Conveniences) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970.

Application

2. These regulations shall apply to every mine of coal, stratified ironstone, shale or fireclay, and in these regulations "mine" means such a mine.

Interpretation

3. In these regulations the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say—

"the Act" means the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969;

"mine" has the meaning assigned thereto in regulation 2.

Location and construction of sanitary conveniences

4. It shall be the duty of the manager of every mine to ensure that sanitary conveniences provided at the mine in pursuance of section 94 of the Act are provided—

(*a*) in or adjacent to the winding engine house;

(*b*) at such other suitable places above ground as may be requisite in order to afford to every person employed at the mine convenient access to one at least of such conveniences;

(*c*) at or adjacent to every entrance below ground to every shaft and outlet, being an entrance ordinarily used by persons for the purpose of getting to or from their working places in the mine; and

(*d*) at suitable places along any length of road below ground, being a length which is a main intake airway or a main return airway for the purposes of the Coal and Other Mines (Ventilation) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1970(b) so far as may be requisite for persons normally employed at places along that length of road.

(a) 1969. c. 6 (N.I.). (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1970, No. 125.