



Mines and Quarries Act 1954

1954 CHAPTER 70 2 and 3 Eliz.2

PART III

SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE (MINES)

Fire Precautions and Provisions as to Rescue

72 Fire-fighting and rescue operations.

Regulations may require the making of such provision as may be prescribed for all or any of the following purposes, namely, the prevention, detection and combating of outbreaks of fire at, and spontaneous heating occurring in, mines and the securing of the efficient conduct (as well in an atmosphere dangerous to life as in an atmosphere not dangerous to life) of such operations for the rescue of persons as it may be necessary to conduct at mines in consequence of the occurrence thereof of outbreaks of fire, explosions or other accidents of whatsoever kind, and in particular, but without prejudice to the foregoing provisions of this section, regulations may make provision

- (a) for the establishment and maintenance at mines of such organisations of persons as may be necessary for any of the purposes aforesaid and the provision and maintenance at mines of suitable and sufficient apparatus for any of those purposes, and, in particular, the provision at mines of adequate supplies of water for use in case of fire;
- (b) for requiring owners of mines to provide and maintain stations (hereafter in this Act referred to as “central rescue stations”) for the purpose of providing facilities common to a number of mines for the conduct of such operations as aforesaid, and for the establishment and maintenance at such stations of such organisations of persons as may be necessary for the purpose of conducting such operations and the provision and maintenance thereof of suitable and sufficient apparatus for that purpose; and
- (c) for securing the efficient training of the members of any organisation of persons maintained in pursuance of the regulations.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines and Quarries Act 1954, Section 72. (See end of Document for details)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1 [S. 72](#) repealed except so far as it assigns a meaning to “central rescue stations” by [S.I. 1974/2013](#), [Sch. 1 Pt. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines and Quarries Act 1954, Section 72.