



# Royal Mines Act 1693

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An Act to prevent Disputes and Controversies concerning Royal Mines.

Recital of 1 W. & M. Sess. 1. c. 30.

Whereas by a Clause in the Royal Mines Act 1688 It is amongst other things enacted that noe Mine of Tin Copper Iron or Lead shall hereafter be adjudged reputed or taken to bee a Royal Mine although Gold or Silver may be extracted out of the same But notwithstanding the good provision by the said Statute to prevent the discouraging their Majesties good Subjects who have Mines of Copper Tin Iron or Lead in their Soyls from digging and opening the same many doubts and questions have arisen upon the said Statute whereby great suits and troubles have arisen to many owners and Proprietors of such Mines. Wherefore for the better explanation of the said Statute Be it enacted and declared by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and the Comons in this present Parliament assembled and by the Authority of the same

**Annotations:**

**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

C1 Short title given by [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\)](#), [Sch. 2](#)

**Owners of Mines shall enjoy them.**

That all and every Person or Persons being Subjects of the Crowne of England Bodies Politick or Corporate that now are or hereafter shall be the Owner or Owners Proprietor or Proprietors of any Mine or Mines within the Kingdom of England Dominion of Wales or Towne of Berwick upon Tweed wherein any Ore now is or hereafter shall be discovered opened found or wrought and in which there is Copper Tin Iron or Lead shall and may hold and enjoy the same Mine or Mines and Ore and continue in the possession thereof and dig and work the said Mine or Mines or Ore notwithstanding that such Mine or Mines or Ore shall be pretended or claimed to be a Royall Mine or Royall Mines any Law Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

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*Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Royal Mines Act 1693. (See end of Document for details)*

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**Annotations:**

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**Amendments (Textual)**

**F1** S. 2 repealed by [Statute Law \(Repeals\) Act 1969 \(c. 52\)](#), [Sch. Pt. VII](#)

**III Proviso for Charters, &c. to Tanners of Devon and Cornwall.**

Provided always That nothing [<sup>X1</sup>contained] in this Act shall alter determine or make void the Charters granted to the Tanners of Devon and Cornwall by any of the Kings and Queens of this Realme or any of the Liberties Priveledges or Franchises of the said Tanners or to alter determine or make void the Laws Customs or Constitutions of the Stanneries of Devon or Cornwall or any of them.

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**Editorial Information**

**X1** interlined on the Roll.

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