

# Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

## **1969 CHAPTER 6**

### PART III

### SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE

# SAFETY PRECAUTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH SHAFTS, &C., AND ENTRANCES TO DISUSED WORKINGS

### 40 **Provision of refuge holes.**

- (1) Subject to any exceptions for which provision may be made by regulations, the manager of a mine shall not permit vehicles (not being vehicles moved by hand) to run in any length of road in the mine unless there are provided in that length of road (except in so much, if any, of it as is within[<sup>F1</sup> 23 metres] of a working face served by it), at intervals not greater than such as may be prescribed and in the prescribed positions, refuge holes each of which is of such dimensions as may be prescribed and complies with such other requirements as may be prescribed.
- (2) Every refuge hole for the time being provided in a length of road in a mine for the purpose of enabling the manager of the mine, without contravention of subsection (1), to permit vehicles to run in that length of road shall be kept free from obstruction.
- (3) In this section the expression "working face" does not include a place in a road at which ripping or work of repair is in progress.

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### Status:

Point in time view as at 01/01/2006. This version of this provision has been superseded.

#### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, Section 40.