



Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

1969 CHAPTER 6

PART III

SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE

PROVISIONS FOR SECURING SAFE INGRESS AND EGRESS

Ss. 22-25 rep. by SR 1998/375

Ss. 26, 27 rep. by SR 1980/333

^{F1}28 Provision of winding and haulage apparatus.

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Annotations:

F1 S. 28 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.29 rep. by SR 1980/333

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

^{F2}30 Securing of shafts and staple-pits.

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Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the
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Annotations:

F2 S. 30 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

F³31 Safety precautions with respect to entrances to shafts, staple-pits and outlets.

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Annotations:

F3 S. 31 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.32 rep. by SR 1980/333

Ss. 33-35 rep. by SR 1998/375

F⁴36 Prohibition of use of vehicles and conveyors in roads not affording free movement.

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Annotations:

F4 S. 36 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

F⁵37 Transport rules.

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Annotations:

F5 S. 37 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.38 rep by SR 1980/333

F⁶39 Provisions for securing safety of foot-passengers in transport roads.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

40 Provision of refuge holes.

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Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, PART III. (See end of Document for details)

Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

41 Safety measures relating to use of vehicles.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

PROVISIONS FOR SECURING SAFE OPERATION OF WINDING
AND ROPE HAULAGE APPARATUS AND CONVEYORS

42 Charge of winding and rope haulage apparatus when persons are carried.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

43 Charge of winding and rope haulage apparatus when persons are not carried.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

44 Charge of conveyors at working faces.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

45 Signalling in shafts and outlets.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

46 Signalling in roads.

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Annotations:

F6 Ss. 39-46 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.47 rep. by SR 1980/333

SUPPORT

^{F7}48 Duty to secure safety of roads and working places.

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Annotations:

F7 S. 48 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

^{F8}49 Systematic support in coal, shale and fireclay mines.

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Annotations:

F8 S. 49 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.50 rep. by SR 1980/333

^{F9}51 Supply of materials for support.

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Annotations:

F9 Ss. 51-56 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

52 Withdrawal of support.

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Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, PART III. (See end of Document for details)

Annotations:

F9 Ss. 51-56 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

53 Duties of deputies in relation to support.

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Annotations:

F9 Ss. 51-56 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

54 Provisions as to support rules.

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Annotations:

F9 Ss. 51-56 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

VENTILATION

55 Duty to provide adequate ventilation.

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Annotations:

F9 Ss. 51-56 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

56 Avoidance of danger from gas in waste.

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Annotations:

F9 Ss. 51-56 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.57 rep. by SR 1980/333

F10 58 Provisions as to means of ventilation.

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Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, PART III. (See end of Document for details)

Annotations:

F10 Ss. 58-62 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

59 Prevention of leakage of air between airways.

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Annotations:

F10 Ss. 58-62 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

60 Provision of barometers and other measuring instruments.

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Annotations:

F10 Ss. 58-62 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

LIGHTING, LAMPS AND CONTRABAND

61 Lighting.

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Annotations:

F10 Ss. 58-62 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

62 Permitted lights.

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Annotations:

F10 Ss. 58-62 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.63 rep. by SR 1980/333

^{F11}64 Prohibition of taking into mines safety-lamps not provided by owner or of approved type.

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Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, PART III. (See end of Document for details)

Annotations:

F11 Ss. 64-67 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

65 Offences relating to safety-lamps.

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Annotations:

F11 Ss. 64-67 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

66 Prohibition of possession of smoking materials in certain mines and parts of mines.

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Annotations:

F11 Ss. 64-67 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

67 Prohibition of taking into certain mines and parts of mines of articles producing flames or sparks.

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Annotations:

F11 Ss. 64-67 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.68 rep. by SR 1980/333

BLASTING MATERIALS AND DEVICES

^{F12}**69 Blasting materials and devices.**

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Annotations:

F12 S. 69 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

FIRE PRECAUTIONS AND PROVISIONS AS TO RESCUE

S. 70 rep. by SR 1998/375

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the
Mines Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, PART III. (See end of Document for details)

Ss. 71, 72 rep. by SR 1980/333

F13 73 Means of escape from rooms in which there is special risk of fire, &c.

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Annotations:

F13 [Ss. 73-77](#) repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

DUST PRECAUTIONS

74 Dust precautions.

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Annotations:

F13 [Ss. 73-77](#) repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST EXTERNAL DANGERS TO WORKINGS

75 Duty of mine owners and managers to seek evidence of proximity of disused workings, water-bearing strata, &c.

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Annotations:

F13 [Ss. 73-77](#) repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

76 Duty of mine owners and managers to ascertain thickness of strata between workings and surface water.

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Annotations:

F13 [Ss. 73-77](#) repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

77 General duty to take precautions against intrushes of gas, water, &c.

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Annotations:

F13 Ss. 73-77 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S. 78 rep. by SR 1980/333

DUTIES OF OFFICIALS AND WORKMEN IN CASES OF DANGER

F1479 **Withdrawal of workmen in cases of danger.**

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Annotations:

F14 S. 79 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

F1580 **Duty of workmen to deal with, or report, danger.**

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Annotations:

F15 S. 80 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

MACHINERY AND APPARATUS

S. 81(1) rep. by SR 1993/19; subs. (2) rep. by SR 1980/333

S. 82 rep. by SR 1993/19

F1683 **Restrictions on use below ground of certain engines, &c.**

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Annotations:

F16 S. 83 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

F1784 **Air, gas and steam containers.**

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Annotations:

F17 S. 84 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

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S. 85 rep. by SR 1999/304

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, MEANS OF ACCESS, &C.

F1886 Buildings and structures to be kept safe.

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Annotations:

F18 Ss. 86-91 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

87 Safe means of access and safe means of employment.

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Annotations:

F18 Ss. 86-91 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

TRAINING AND DISCIPLINE

88 Restriction on doing of work by unskilled persons.

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Annotations:

F18 Ss. 86-91 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

89 Penalization of failure to observe safety directions, &c.

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Annotations:

F18 Ss. 86-91 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

90 Penalization of negligent acts or omissions and unauthorised removal, &c., of articles.

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Annotations:

F18 Ss. 86-91 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

FIRST-AID

91 First-aid.

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Annotations:

F18 Ss. 86-91 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS AND PROHIBITION OF HEAVY WORK

S.92 rep. by SR 1980/333

S. 93 rep. by SR 1992/535

GENERAL WELFARE PROVISIONS

^{F19}94 Sanitary conveniences

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Annotations:

F19 *S. 94* repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

^{F20}95 Measures against vermin and insects.

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Annotations:

F20 *S. 95* repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

S.96 rep. by SR 1980/333

^{F21}97 Supply of drinking water.

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Annotations:

F21 S. 97 repealed (1.2.2017) by [The Mines Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2016 \(S.R. 2016/427\)](#), reg. 1(2), [Sch. 3](#)

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