

## ANNEX

### MINIMUM SAFETY AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 10 OF THE DIRECTIVE

#### PART A

##### **COMMON MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO SURFACE AND UNDERGROUND MINERAL-EXTRACTING INDUSTRIES AND TO ANCILLARY SURFACE INSTALLATIONS**

4. Protection from explosion risks, harmful atmospheres and fire hazards
- 4.4. Protection from fire hazards
  - 4.4.1. Wherever workplaces are designed, constructed, equipped, commissioned, operated or maintained, adequate measures must be taken to prevent fires from starting and spreading from the sources identified in the safety and health document.  
Provision must be made for fast and effective fire-fighting.
  - 4.4.2. Workplaces must be equipped with appropriate fire-fighting equipment and, as necessary, with fire detectors and alarm systems.
  - 4.4.3. Non-automatic fire-fighting equipment must be easily accessible and simple to use and, where necessary, protected from damage.
  - 4.4.4. A fire protection plan detailing the precautions to be taken, in accordance with Articles 3, 4, 5 and 6 of this Directive, to protect against, detect and combat the outbreak and spread of fires must be kept on site.
  - 4.4.5. The fire-fighting equipment must be indicated by signs in accordance with the national regulations transposing Directive 92/58/EEC<sup>(1)</sup> into law.

Such signs must be placed at appropriate points and be made to last.

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- (1) [OJ No L 245, 26.8.1992, p. 23.](#)