Experience Requirement for
Underground Coal Mine Manager’s Certification

Occupational Health and Safety Regulation Section 30

30 (2) A Director of Inspection may issue an underground coal mine manager’s certificate to a worker

(a) if the worker is a professional engineer in the mining discipline, has experience in underground coal mining totaling at least 5 years, including at least one year of working at the working face, and has demonstrated knowledge of the Act, the regulations and the relevant portions of the adopted code and underground mine rescue acceptable to a Director of Inspection,

(b) if a Director of Inspection is satisfied that the worker has sufficient knowledge and experience in underground coal mining to manage underground coal mine activities safely, or

(c) if the worker satisfies a Director of Inspection that the worker holds valid and current documentation from an equivalent certifying authority in another jurisdiction of Canada that is an underground coal mine manager’s certificate in that jurisdiction or that is recognized by that Director as the equivalent in that jurisdiction of an underground coal mine manager’s certificate issuable under this section.

Experience Guidelines

- Timbering, roof/side bolting, setting support at the face, hydraulic support operator
- Continuous miner
- Conveyor systems
- Material haulage
- Cross measure drifts or tunneling through rock or coal seams
- Mine ventilation and air conditioning
- Explosives and blasting operations, drilling and shot firing
- Firefighting systems
- Shaft sinking
- Coal mine ground control
- Structural geology
- Mine mapping and layout
- Seals and monitoring
- Classification of hazardous areas
- Dust control, rock dusting, stoppings
- Mine rescue and refuge station design
- Surveying, other engineering duties
- Drilling and shot firing and/or blasting
- Other experience related to underground coal mining approved by OHS