

Mine Safety and Health Admin., Labor

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within 2 hours after the belts are stopped.

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§ 75.1103-5 Automatic fire warning devices; manual resetting.

(a) Automatic fire sensor and warning device systems shall upon activation provide an effective warning signal at either of the following locations:

(1) At all work locations where men may be endangered from a fire at the belt flight; or

(2) At a manned location where personnel have an assigned post of duty and have telephone or equivalent communication with all men who may be endangered.

The automatic fire sensor and warning device system shall be monitored for a period of 4 hours after the belt is stopped, unless an examination for hot rollers and fire is made as prescribed in § 75.1103-4(e).

(b) The fire sensor and warning device system shall include a means for rapid evaluation of electrical short and open circuits, ground faults, pneumatic leaks, or other defect detrimental to its proper operational condition.

(c) Automatic fire sensor and warning devices shall include a manual reset feature.

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§ 75.1103-6 Automatic fire sensors; actuation of fire suppression systems.

Automatic fire sensor and warning device systems may be used to actuate deluge-type water systems, foam generator systems, multipurpose dry-powder systems, or other equivalent automatic fire suppression systems.

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§ 75.1103-7 Electrical components; permissibility requirements.

The electrical components of each automatic fire sensor and warning device system shall:

(a) Remain functional when the power circuits are deenergized as required by § 75.706; and

(b) Be provided with protection against ignition of methane or coal dust when the electrical power is deenergized as required by § 75.313, but these

components shall be permissible or intrinsically safe if installed in a return airway.

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§ 75.1103-8 Automatic fire sensor and warning device systems; inspection and test requirements.

(a) Automatic fire sensor and warning device systems shall be inspected weekly, and a functional test of the complete system shall be made at least once annually. Inspection and maintenance of such systems shall be by a qualified person.

(b) A record of the annual functional test conducted in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section shall be maintained by the operator. A record card of the weekly inspection shall be kept at each belt drive.

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§ 75.1103-9 Minimum requirements; fire suppression materials and location; maintenance of entries and crosscuts; access doors; communications; fire crews; high-expansion foam devices.

(a) The following materials shall be stored within 300 feet of each belt drive or at a location where the material can be moved to the belt drive within 5 minutes, except that when the ventilating current in the belt haulageway travels in the direction of the normal movement of coal on the belt, the materials shall be stored within 300 feet of the belt tailpiece or at a location where the materials can be moved to the belt tailpiece within 5 minutes.

(1) 500 feet of fire hose, except that if the belt flight is less than 500 feet in length the fire hose may be equal to the length of the belt flight. A high expansion foam device may be substituted for 300 feet of the 500 feet of the fire hose. Where used, such foam generators shall produce foam sufficient to fill 100 feet of the belt haulageway in not more than 5 minutes. Sufficient power cable and water hose shall be provided so that the foam generator can be installed at any crosscut along the belt by which the generator is located. A 1-hour supply of foam producing chemicals and tools and