

**Subpart P—Illumination**

**§ 56.17001 Illumination of surface working areas.**

Illumination sufficient to provide safe working conditions shall be provided in and on all surface structures, paths, walkways, stairways, switch panels, loading and dumping sites, and work areas.

**Subpart Q—Safety Programs**

**§ 56.18002 Examination of working places.**

(a) A competent person designated by the operator shall examine each working place at least once each shift for conditions which may adversely affect safety or health. The operator shall promptly initiate appropriate action to correct such conditions.

(b) A record that such examinations were conducted shall be kept by the operator for a period of one year, and shall be made available for review by the Secretary or his authorized representative.

(c) In addition, conditions that may present an imminent danger which are noted by the person conducting the examination shall be brought to the immediate attention of the operator who shall withdraw all persons from the area affected (except persons referred to in section 104(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977) until the danger is abated.

**§ 56.18006 New employees.**

New employees shall be indoctrinated in safety rules and safe work procedures.

**§ 56.18009 Designation of person in charge.**

When persons are working at the mine, a competent person designated by the mine operator shall be in attendance to take charge in case of an emergency.

**§ 56.18010 First aid.**

An individual capable of providing first aid shall be available on all shifts. The individual shall be currently trained and have the skills to perform patient assessment and artificial respiration; control bleeding; and treat

shock, wounds, burns, and musculo-skeletal injuries. First aid training shall be made available to all interested miners.

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**§ 56.18012 Emergency telephone numbers.**

Emergency telephone numbers shall be posted at appropriate telephones.

**§ 56.18013 Emergency communications system.**

A suitable communication system shall be provided at the mine to obtain assistance in the event of an emergency.

**§ 56.18014 Emergency medical assistance and transportation.**

Arrangements shall be made in advance for obtaining emergency medical assistance and transportation for injured persons.

**§ 56.18020 Working alone.**

No employee shall be assigned, or allowed, or be required to perform work alone in any area where hazardous conditions exist that would endanger his safety unless he can communicate with others, can be heard, or can be seen.

**Subpart R—Personnel Hoisting**

**§ 56.19000 Application.**

(a) The hoisting standards in this subpart apply to those hoists and appurtenances used for hoisting persons. However, where persons may be endangered by hoists and appurtenances used solely for handling ore, rock, and materials, the appropriate standards should be applied.

(b) Standards 56.19021 through 56.19028 apply to wire ropes in service used to hoist persons with an incline hoist on the surface.

(c) Emergency hoisting facilities should conform to the extent possible to safety requirements for other hoists, and should be adequate to remove the persons from the mine with a minimum of delay.