

30 CFR § 56.14207 - Parking procedures for unattended equipment.

Mobile equipment shall not be left unattended unless the controls are placed in the park position and the parking brake, if provided, is set. When parked on a grade, the wheels or tracks of mobile equipment shall be either chocked or turned into a bank.

Unattended mobile equipment parked on a grade must have the wheels or tracks chocked or turned into bank in addition to setting the park brake (if provided) in order to prevent equipment from unexpectedly rolling and striking miners working in the area. Grade can be determined a number of ways, to include testing the equipment to determine if it rolls when the transmission is placed in neutral.

This standard applies to all off-road and on-road self-propelled equipment used on mine property, including vehicles such as vans, suburbans, and pick-up trucks that are used at mine sites. Any piece of mobile equipment used on the mine site will have to comply with the standard. The standard would allow for mobile equipment parked on a grade to be turned into a bank, chocked, parked with the front or rear wheels in a ditch or trough.

The PPM does not address 30 CFR § 56.14207. There are no new interpretations.

Section 56.14207 is one of the Priority Standards under the Rules to Live By initiative, <http://www.msha.gov/focuson/rulestoliveby/rulestoliveby.asp> that began in March 2010. This standard was cited during 3 fatal accident investigations between 2000 and 2008.