(4) LIGHTING

The Coal Mines (Pneumatic Lighting Unit) Order, 1948

1948 No. 1918

Made - - - - *17th August,* 1948
Coming into Operation *1st October,* 1948

The Minister of Fuel and Power in pursuance of regulation eleven of the Coal Mines (Lighting) General Regulations, 1947(a), hereby makes the following Order:—

Conditions of use, etc., prescribed.

1. The limits within which, and the conditions subject to which, an electric lighting unit operated by a generator enclosed in the unit and driven by compressed air (in this Order referred to as a " pneumatic unit "), being of a type, and having fittings and accessories of a type, approved by the Minister, may be used shall be as provided in this Order.

Defective unit to be removed.

2. Where any pneumatic unit, or any part of, or any automatic safety device attached to, any pneumatic unit, is found to be defective, that unit shall not be used until the defect has been remedied by an appointed person as specified in paragraph (1) of the next following article.

Provisions concerning repair and adjustment.

3.—(1) No person not appointed in writing by the manager as a person competent to carry out work on pneumatic units shall dismantle, repair, alter or adjust any pneumatic unit, or tamper with any automatic safety device attached to any such unit.

(2) The air pressure shall not be turned on in a pneumatic unit unless the unit is fully assembled and closed; and no unit in which the air pressure has not been turned off shall be opened.

Periodical inspection and overhaul.

4. Once at least in every three months:—

(*a*) every pneumatic unit shall be cleaned and thoroughly overhauled in a workshop appointed by the manager for repairs to pneumatic units;

(*b*) a test shall be made of the unit, and of the effective working condition of every automatic safety device attached to it, and particulars thereof recorded in a book kept at the mine for the purpose.

Interpretation.

5.—(1) In this Order the expression " pneumatic unit " has the meaning assigned by article one.

52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Commencement and citation.

6. This Order shall come into operation on the first day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-eight; and may be cited as the Coal Mines (Pneumatic Lighting Unit) Order, 1948.

Dated this seventeenth day of August, 1948.

Donald Fergusson,
Secretary to the Ministry of Fuel and Power.

(a) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 972) I, p. 325.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of this Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order prescribes conditions for the use of electric lighting units operated by compressed air in any mine, or part of a mine, in which under the Coal Mines Act, 1911, or regulations made under it, safety lamps are required to be used.

In particular, no person may dismantle or adjust a unit unless appointed in writing by the manager as a person competent to carry out work on such units.

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(5) SAFETY LAMPS

The Safety Lamps (Conditions of Use) (Revocation) Order, 1948

1948 No. 1997

Made - - - - 31*st August*, 1948
Coming into Operation 15*th September*, 1948

The Minister of Fuel and Power, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section thirty-three of the Coal Mines Act, 1911, as amended by the Coal Mines General Regulations (Safety Lamps), 1927(a), and of all other powers him enabling, hereby makes the following Order:—

1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. 50.

1. The Safety Lamps (Conditions of Use) Order, 1934(b), is hereby revoked.

2. This Order shall come into operation on the fifteenth day of September, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and may be cited as the Safety Lamps (Conditions of Use) (Revocation) Order, 1948.

Dated this thirty-first day of August, 1948.

W. G. Nott-Bower,
A Deputy Secretary to the
Ministry of Fuel and Power.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of this Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order revokes the Safety Lamps (Conditions of Use) Order, 1934, which specifies the conditions under which various types of safety lamp approved for use in coal mines may be used.

Under the Coal Mines (Lighting) General Regulations, 1947(c), types of lamp are approved only for use by specified persons, or in specified circumstances, and the Order of 1934 is no longer required.

(a) S.R. & O. 1927 (No. 1155) I, p. 141.
(b) S.R. & O. 1934 (No. 729) I, p. 218.
(c) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 972) I, p. 325.