and equipped. The ventilation is to be such that the charging apparatus is on the intake side of the battery racks and the air current passes from those racks directly into a return airway. Smoking, etc., is prohibited in, or within ten yards of, any charging station.

By Regulation 38 in Part VIII, the Chief Inspector of Mines may, except in cases where a discretion is left to the Inspector of the Division, grant exemption from any provision if compliance is not reasonably practicable or not requisite for safety.

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(2) EMPLOYMENT (WORKERS BELOW GROUND)

The Coal Mines Regulation (Suspension) Order, 1949

1949 No. 841

Made - - - - 29*th April*, 1949
Coming into Operation 1*st May*, 1949

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 29th day of April, 1949

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1908,(a) makes provision regarding the times during which certain persons employed in mines below ground may be below ground in a mine for the purposes of their work:

And Whereas by section four of that Act, it is provided that His Majesty may, in the event of, inter alia, great emergency, or in the event of any grave economic disturbance due to the demand for coal, or for the product of any other mines to which the Act applies, exceeding the supply available at the time, by Order in Council suspend the operation of the Act to such extent and for such period as may be named in the order, either as respects all mines or any class of mines:

And Whereas circumstances existed such as contemplated by the said section four and His Majesty in Council in exercise of the powers conferred on Him as aforesaid was pleased to make the Coal Mines Regulation (Suspension) Order, 1948,(b) relating to the period ending on the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-nine:

And Whereas circumstances still exist such as contemplated by the said section four and accordingly the powers conferred by the said section four are still exercisable:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Him as aforesaid, and of all other powers enabling Him in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Interpretation.

1. In this order the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively, that is to say:—

(*a*) "the Act of 1908" means the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1908, as amended by the Coal Mines Regulation (Amendment) Act, 1917,(c) the Coal Mines Act, 1919,(d) the Coal Mines Act, 1931,(e) and the Coal Mines Act, 1932(f);

(*b*) "coal" means bituminous coal, cannel coal and anthracite.

(a) 8 Edw. 7. c. 57.
(b) S.I. 1948 (No. 868) I, p. 526.
(c) 7 Geo. 5. c. 8.
(d) 9 & 10 Geo. 5. c. 48.
(e) 21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. 27.
(f) 22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. 29.

2. The operation of the Act of 1908 is suspended in so far as concerns the application of sections one and three thereof to mines of coal for the period beginning on the date of the coming into operation of this order and ending on the thirtieth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty. Suspension of sections 1 and 3 of the Act of 1908 in relation to mines of coal.

3. This order shall come into operation on the first day of May, nineteen hundred and forty-nine, and may be cited as the Coal Mines Regulation (Suspension) Order, 1949. Commencement and citation.

E. C. E. Leadbitter.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1908, as amended by subsequent enactments, limits the time during which the main categories of workmen in mines may be below ground for the purposes of their work, and of going to and from their work, to 7½ hours per day, exclusive of the time taken to convey shifts to and from the working levels. The corresponding time for certain other categories is 8½ hours.

This order suspends the operation of the relevant sections of the Act in so far as it applies to coal mines for the period from the expiry of the Coal Mines Regulation (Suspension) Order, 1948, to 30th April, 1950.

COLONIAL STOCK

EAST AFRICA HIGH COMMISSION

The Colonial Stock Acts Extension (East Africa High Commission) Order, 1949

1949 No. 1427

Made - - - -	28*th July*, 1949
Laid before Parliament	29*th July*, 1949
Coming into Operation	30*th July*, 1949

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 28th day of July, 1949

Present,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by section two of the Colonial Stock Act, 1948(a), (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1948") it is amongst other things provided that His Majesty may by Order in Council direct that the Colonial Stock

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 1.