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MINES AND QUARRIES

The Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) (Amendment) Regulations 1978

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 15(1) of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974(**a**) ("the 1974 Act") as amended by section 116 of, and paragraph 6 of Schedule 15 to, the Employment Protection Act 1975(**b**) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf and for the purpose of giving effect without modifications to proposals submitted to him by the Health and Safety Commission under section 11(2)(*d*) of the 1974 Act after the carrying out by the said Commission of consultations in accordance with section 50(3) of that Act, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) (Amendment) Regulations 1978 and shall come into operation on 4th July 1978.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**c**) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of the Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) Regulations 1975

2. The Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) Regulations 1975(**d**) shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) in Schedule 1—

(i) in paragraph 3, for the figures "12" and "9" substitute "11" and "8" respectively,

(**a**) 1974 c. 37. (**b**) 1975 c. 71. (**c**) 1889 c. 63.
(**d**) S.I. 1975/1433.

(ii) in paragraph 4, for the figure "6" substitute "5",

(*b*) in Schedule 2, for the figures "12", "9", "8" and "6" in each place where they appear substitute "11", "8", "7" and "5" respectively.

Alexander Eadie,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Energy.

John Grant,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Employment.

5th June 1978.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations amend the Schedules to the Coal Mines (Respirable Dust) Regulations 1975 by lowering—

(*a*) in Schedule 1, the levels of respirable dust indices requiring the taking of additional samples (paragraph 3) and requiring the ascertainment of the average quartz content (paragraph 4), and

(*b*) in Schedule 2, the permitted respirable dust indices.

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