

MINE RESCUE COORDINATOR

NATURE OF WORK

Under minimal supervision, coordinate all agency operation and training matters relating to mine rescue. Will personally develop and implement mine rescue training and preparedness programs for agency mine rescue teams. Will have responsibility to ensure that agency mine rescue equipment is operational and ready at all times. Will require travel.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Train mine rescue personnel in techniques necessary to handle mine explosions and fires.
Inspect mine rescue stations to see that they are properly maintained and equipped.
Plan and coordinate all agency matters relating to mine rescue contests.
Supervise agency mine rescue practices and preparatory work.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of mine rescue techniques and procedures.
Knowledge of mine gases and ventilation methods.
Knowledge of mine rood support methods.
Knowledge of state and federal mine safety requirements.
Ability to operate mine rescue apparatus.
Ability to safely operate a motor vehicle.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Training: Graduation from a standard four-year high school or the equivalent.

Experience: Five years of full-time or part-time paid practical experience in coal mines, at least two years of which must have been in mines in this state, PROVIDED, that graduation from an accredited college of mining engineering may be considered the equivalent of two years of practical experience.

Special Requirement: A valid license to operate a motor vehicle in this state. Must have a mine rescue instructor certificate and extensive experience in mine rescue.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS PER HOUSE BILL 4491:

(1) A citizen of West Virginia, in good health, not less than twenty-four years of age, of good character and reputation and of temperate habits; (2) a person who has had practical experience with dangerous gases found in coal mines; and who has a good theoretical knowledge of mines, mining methods, mine ventilation, sound safety practices and applicable mining laws and rules; and (3) a person of who possesses a WV mine foreman-fireboss certification; or a person who has had at least three years of experience as an actual working team member of a mine rescue team, or at least three years of experience as a member of a first aid team or emergency medical technician; or a person who has had at least three years of experience as a mine safety director, or the equivalent as approved by the Mine Inspector's Examining Board or a person who has had at least three years of experience as an active member of a mine safety committee.

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS - CONT'D.

Special Requirements per House Bill 4491:

Must pass the required examination administered by the Mine Inspector's Examining Board with an average grade of at least 80%.

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