

Council Directive 92/104/EEC of 3 December 1992 on the minimum requirements for improving the safety and health protection of workers in surface and underground mineral-extracting industries (twelfth individual Directive within the meaning of Article 16 (1) of Directive 89/391/EEC)

SECTION I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 2

Definitions

For the purpose of this Directive:

- (a) *surface and underground mineral-extracting industries* shall mean all industries practising:
- surface or underground extraction, in the strict sense of the word, of minerals, and/or
 - prospecting with a view to such extraction, and/or
 - preparation of extracted materials for sale, excluding the activities of processing the materials extracted,
- excluding the mineral-extracting industries through drilling defined in Article 2 (a) of Directive 92/91/EEC;
- (b) *workplace* shall mean the whole area intended to house workstations, relating to the immediate and ancillary activities and installations of the surface or underground mineral-extracting industries, including overburden dumps and other tips and accommodation, where provided, to which workers have access in the context of their work.