
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 204

Quarries (Explosives) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

Prohibited activities

8.—(1) A person other than a person appointed by the Chief Constable, an inspector appointed by the Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland and the Secretary of State as an Explosives Inspector, a person engaged in the transport of explosives to or from the quarry, a shotfirer, a trainee shotfirer, a person authorised to handle explosives at a quarry or a person appointed to be in charge of the explosives store shall not handle explosives at a quarry.

(2) A person shall not bring any substance or article (other than explosives) likely to cause an unintended explosion or fire within ten metres of any explosives or take any naked flame within ten metres of any explosives.

(3) A person shall not forcibly remove any detonator lead or other system for initiating shots from a shothole after the shothole has been charged and primed.

(4) A person shall not charge or fire a shot—

- (a) unless there is sufficient visibility to ensure that work preparatory to shotfiring, the shotfiring operation and any site inspection after the shot is fired can be carried out safely;
- (b) in a shothole which has previously been fired, unless he is dealing with a misfire in accordance with action taken in pursuance of regulation 7(b); or
- (c) in any tunnel or other excavation (not being merely a shothole) in the face or side of the quarry for the purpose of extracting minerals or products of minerals.

(5) A person shall not fire a shot—

- (a) unless he is a shotfirer or trainee shotfirer; and
- (b) other than by means of a suitable exploder;

and for the purpose of this regulation, a safety fuse shall not be deemed to be a suitable exploder.

Commencement Information

II [Reg. 8](#) in operation at 1.8.2006, see [reg. 1](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Quarries (Explosives) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006, Section 8.