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# **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

The Mines Regulations 2014

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# THE MINES REGULATIONS 2014

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- 3. In the case of workings where powered supports are used—...
- 4. For the purpose of paragraph 3— (a) "powered support" means...
- 5. In the case of face workings where packs are used—...
- 6. In the case of face workings where persons work or...
- 7. In this Schedule, "face working"— (a) in relation to a...
- 8. In the case of roadways where props and bars are...
- 9. In the case of roadways where steel arches are used...
- 10. In the case of roadways where rockbolts are used as...
- 11. In the case of roadways where machines are used to...
- 12. In the case of roadways where persons work or pass...
- 13. For the purpose of this Schedule, "bar" means a support...

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- 2. (1) Despite the revocation of the Management and Administration of...
- 3. In the Mines and Quarries (Tips) Act 1969-

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- 5. In the Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981-
- 6. In the Electricity at Work Regulations 1989-
- 7. In the Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992, for...
- 8. In the Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority) Regulations 1998, in...
- 9. In the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998, in...
- 10. In the Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999, in regulation 4-
- 11. In PUWER, in regulation 6(5)(d), for "Mines (Shafts and Winding)...
- 12. In the Quarries Regulations 1999, in regulation 3(1)(c), for "regulation...
- 13. In the Pressure Systems Safety Regulations 2000, in regulation 2(1),...
- 14. In the Health and Safety (Enforcing Authority for Railways and...
- 15. In the REACH Enforcement Regulations 2008, in Part 1 of...
- 16. In the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations...
- 17. In the Reservoirs Act 1975 (Exemptions, Appeals and Inspections) (England)...
- 18. In the 2014 Regulations— (a) in regulation 2(1)—

Explanatory Note