



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1561.20 Qualifications of surface mine blaster.

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(A) Except as provided in division (B) of this section, a person who applies for a certificate as a surface mine blaster shall be able to read and write the English language; shall have had at least one year's actual practical experience in surface mines or the equivalent thereof in the judgment of the chief of the division of mineral resources management; shall have knowledge of the dangers and nature of the use of explosives, related equipment, and blasting techniques; and shall have knowledge of safety laws and rules, including those related to the storage, use, and transportation of explosives. Each applicant for examination shall pay a fee of ten dollars to the chief on the first day of the examination.

(B) The chief shall issue a surface mine blaster certificate in accordance with Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code to an applicant if either of the following applies:

(1) The applicant holds a license or certificate in another state.

(2) The applicant has satisfactory work experience, a government certification, or a private certification as described in that chapter as a surface mine blaster in a state that does not issue that license or certificate.

(C) Any money collected under this section shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the mining regulation and safety fund created in section 1513.30 of the Revised Code.
