



Ohio Revised Code Section 1561.13 Examinations.

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The chief of the division of mineral resources management shall conduct examinations for offices and positions in the division of mineral resources management, and for mine forepersons, mine electricians, and surface mine blasters, as follows:

(A) Division of mineral resources management:

- (1) Deputy mine inspectors of underground mines;
- (2) Deputy mine inspectors of surface mines;
- (3) Electrical inspectors;
- (4) Superintendent of rescue stations;
- (5) Assistant superintendents of rescue stations;
- (6) Mine chemists at a division laboratory if the chief chooses to operate a laboratory.

(B) Mine forepersons:

- (1) Mine foreperson of gaseous mines;
- (2) Mine foreperson of nongaseous mines;
- (3) Mine foreperson of surface mines.

(C) Forepersons:



- (1) Foreperson of gaseous mines;
- (2) Foreperson of nongaseous mines;
- (3) Foreperson of surface mines.
- (D) Mine electricians.
- (E) Surface mine blasters.

The chief annually shall provide for the examination of candidates for appointment or promotion as deputy mine inspectors and such other positions and offices set forth in division (A) of this section as are necessary. Special examinations may be held whenever it becomes necessary to make appointments to any of those positions.

The chief shall provide for the examination of persons seeking certificates of competency as mine forepersons, forepersons, mine electricians, and surface mine blasters as needed and at such times and places within the state as shall, in the judgment of the chief, afford the best facilities to the greatest number of applicants.

The examinations provided for in this section shall be conducted under rules adopted under section 1561.05 of the Revised Code and conditions prescribed by the chief. Any rules that relate to particular candidates shall, upon application of any candidate, be furnished to the candidate by the chief; they shall also be of uniform application to all candidates in the several groups.
