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PART 9. TRAINING.

§22A-2A-901. Training and general requirements.

(a) Rules of the commission shall establish programs for training equipment operators and members of the mine health and safety committee. Training shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Fundamentals of the operation of a diesel engine;

(2) Federal and state regulations governing the use of diesel-powered equipment;

(3) The mine operator's rules for safe operation;

(4) Specific features of each piece of equipment; and

(5) Problem recognition.

(b) Required training shall include equipment specific, hands-on orientation given in an area of the mine where the equipment will be operated. This orientation shall be specific to the type and make of the diesel machine and shall be presented in small groups.

(c) Rules of the commission shall establish a certification process for qualifying equipment operators to operate a specific type of diesel-powered equipment. An operator may be qualified to operate more than one type of equipment by completing additional equipment-specific training covering differences specific to each additional type of equipment.

(d) Rules of the commission shall require refresher training, separate from that required by MSHA regulations at 30 C.F.R. Pt. 48 (relating to the training and retraining of miners), and annual recertification.

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