

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §22a-4-1

§22A-4-1. Definitions.

Unless the context in which used clearly requires a different meaning as used in this article:

- (a) "Open-pit mine" means an excavation worked from the surface and open to daylight.
- (b) "Underground mine" means subterranean workings for the purpose of obtaining a desired material or materials.
- (c) "Sand" means waterworn sandstone fragments transported and deposited by water.
- (d) "Gravel" means an occurrence of waterworn pebbles.
- (e) "Sandstone" means a compacted or cemented sediment composed chiefly of quartz grains.
- (f) "Limestone" means a sedimentary rock composed mostly of calcium carbonate.
- (g) "Clay" means a natural material of mostly small fragments of hydrous aluminum silicates and possessing plastic properties.
- (h) "Shale" means a laminated sedimentary rock composed chiefly of small particles of a clay grade.
- (i) "Iron ore" means a mineral or minerals, and gangue which when treated will yield iron at a profit.
- (j) "Manganese ore" means a metalliferous mineral which when treated will yield manganese at a profit.