New Zealand Mining Board of Examiners NEWSLETTER



This is the New Zealand Mining Board of Examiners (the Board) August meeting's newsletter.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE: UPDATING APPLICATIONS

Certificate of Competence (CoC) holders in the extractives industry are required to renew their CoC by 1 January 2017.

The Board has advised that applications should be submitted by **Friday 11 November 2016** so they can be processed and approved by the Board by Friday 23 December 2016 (the Board Secretariat's last working day before the 1 January 2017 deadline).

Applications that are not processed by Friday 1 January 2017 will automatically lead to the loss of the CoC. Applicants will then be required to submit a new application.

CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

TRANSFERRING CPD HOURS

When a CoC holder completes more than the minimum required CPD hours in any one year, the holder can transfer the extra hours into the next consecutive year but not further, for example extra hours gained in 2016 can be transferred into 2017 but not 2016 to 2018.

CPD REQUIREMENTS NOT BEING MET

Under the Mining and Quarrying Regulations the Board needs to be satisfied that a holder of a CoC has met CPD requirements before renewing that CoC. If a holder does not meet the CPD requirements the Board:

- a. is unable to renew a holder's CoC.
- b. may cancel or suspend the holder's CoC.

EXEMPTIONS

The power to grant an exemption from a requirement of regulations, such as the requirement to undertake CPD lies with WorkSafe, not the Board. Exemptions for individuals may be granted by the Chief Executive of WorkSafe. All exemptions will be made public by publication on WorkSafe's website and notified in the Gazette.



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STATUTORY DECLARATION

All logbooks and/or employment records submitted are required to be certified by supervisors and/or employers as part of CoC application requirements.

If an applicant wishes the Board to accept evidence of work or employment experience attained prior to 1 January 2014 other than that contained in a certified logbook, the applicant must supply a Statutory Declaration with the non-certified logbook or other work or employment record. This document is available on the WorkSafe website: www.business.govt.nz/worksafe/information-guidance/guidance-by-industry/extractives/documents/statutory-declaration-evidence-of-work.pdf

NEW CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE RESULTS

The following table and chart set out certificate of competence (CoC) results up to the end of August 2016.

CoC	Total	NYC*	C*	NYC* %	C * %
A Grade Quarry	13	4	9	31%	69%
B Grade Quarry	17	11	6	65%	35%
Tunnel	5	0	5	0%	100%
Opencast	10	3	7	30%	70%
Mining	2	0	2	0%	100%
SSE	28	6	22	21%	79%
Mechanical	13	5	8	38%	62%
Electrical	10	4	6	40%	60%
Ventilation	8	6	2	75%	25%
Mine Surveyor	1	0	1	0%	100%
TOTAL	107	39	68	36%	64%



C* = Competent

NYC*= Not Yet Competent

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