

**APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION:  
MINE SAFETY INSTRUCTOR**

**MINIMUM APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Candidates for Mine Safety Instructor must be:

- \* A citizen of West Virginia, in good health, not less than twenty-four years of age, of good character and reputation and of temperate habits;
- \* A person who has practical experience with dangerous gases found in coal mines; and who has a good theoretical and practical knowledge of mines, mining methods, mine ventilation, sound safety practices and applicable mining laws and rules; and
- \* A person who possesses a WV foreman/fireboss certification; or a person who has had at least three years of experience as an actual working team member of a mine rescue team, or at least three years of experience as a member of a first aid team or emergency medical technician team; or a person who has had at least three years of experience as a safety director, or the equivalent as approved by the MIEB; or a person who has had at least three years experience as the safety director, or the equivalent approved by the MIEB; or a person who has had at least three years of experience as an active member of a mine safety committee.

Qualification for Mine Safety Instructor are as follows:

- \* Graduation from a four year high school or equivalent.
- \* Five years of full-time or part-time paid practical experience in coal mines, at least two years of which must have been in mines of this state, **Provided**, that graduation from an accredited college of mining engineering may be considered the equivalent of two years practical experience.
- \* Must have a valid West Virginia drivers license.

If you meet these minimum requirements, you must **attach official documentation from your employer(s) detailing your years of coal mining experience, and the occupation(s) or classification(s) at which you were employed**, beginning with your current employer and position, or your most recent employer and position if you are not currently employed in the coal mining industry.

Mail the completed paperwork and **notarized** application to the following address:

**WV Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training  
1615 Washington Street, East  
Charleston, WV 25311-2126  
ATTN: Mine Inspector Examining Board**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

WV Driver's License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Current address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current home telephone number: (304) \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you resided at this address?      Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

Previous address: \_\_\_\_\_

How long did you reside at this address?      Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

What high school did you graduate from? \_\_\_\_\_

What year did you graduate from high school? \_\_\_\_\_

What college did you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

What year did you graduate from college? \_\_\_\_\_ (Attach copy of degree.)

If you did not earn a degree, how many college hours did you complete? \_\_\_\_\_

What other education have you completed? \_\_\_\_\_  
(G.E.D.; Vocational; Technical;  
Continuing; Military; Graduate...) \_\_\_\_\_  
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What certificates of competency and qualification have you been issued by the West Virginia Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training, or its predecessor agencies?

Experienced miner certificate number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mine foreman certificate number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Electrician certificate number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Others: \_\_\_\_\_

What permissible gas detecting instruments do you have experience in using?  
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**AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby affirm that I am a resident of West Virginia. I currently have \_\_\_\_\_ years and \_\_\_\_\_ months of practical coal mining experience, of which \_\_\_\_\_ years and \_\_\_\_\_ months have been in first-aid and mine rescue work. I affirm that I am in good health, and I am confident that I possess a good theoretical and practical knowledge of coal mines, mining methods, mine ventilation, sound safety practices, and applicable mining laws and rules. I affirm that the statements and information recorded in this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree that if an appointment to the position of coal mine safety instructor is offered and accepted, I will accept initial assignment or a later transfer to any location in the State of West Virginia as designated by the Director of the West Virginia Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training, pursuant to 22A-1-4(b)(3) of the West Virginia Code.

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Applicant's Signature

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

TO WIT:

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledged, subscribed and affirmed before me in my said county, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_.

**MINE INSPECTORS EXAMINING BOARD USE ONLY**

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Rejected: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
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List employment history where you acquired the minimum five (5) years of experience in first-aid and mine rescue work and practical coal mining experience beginning with your current or most recent employment first.

1.) Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s) and/or classification(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Total experience: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

2.) Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s) and/or classifications: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Total experience: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

3.) Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s) and/or classification(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Total experience: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

4.) Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s) and/or classification(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Total experience: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

5.) Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation(s) and/or classification(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Total experience: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

6.) Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

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