MHSA: AMENDMENTS OFCHAPTER - 8 MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS CHAPTER 16 - RESCUE, FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE REGULATIONS CHAPTER 22 - SCHEDULES

Hi there

The Minister of Mineral and Petroleum Resources, under sections 98(1) of the Mine Health and Safety Act,1996, amended the following Chapters of the Regulations:

- CHAPTER 8 Machinery and Equipment Regulations
- CHAPTER 16 Rescue, First Aid and Emergency Preparedness and Response Regulations
- CHAPTER 22 Schedules

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CHAPTER 8 - Machinery and Equipment Regulations

Paragraph 8.13 relating to *Shafts and Winders* were added. As consequence of the amendments, Chapter 16 of the Mine Health and Safety Regulations (Minerals Act) is repealed.

The Regulations (par 8.13) deal with, inter alia-

- Requirements for conveyance of persons in shafts and winzes
- Design of winding engine
- Brakes and holding power;
- Statutory test for brakes;
- Winder and shaft safety measures;
- Statutory requirements for winding ropes;
- Requirements at shafts being sunk;
- Construction requirements of winding plant conveyances;
- Connection to winding plant conveyances;
- Winding plant signalling arrangements;
- Requirements at shafts and winzes;
- Requirements for loading of winding plant conveyances;
- Notices required at winding plants;
- Requirements for winding engine drivers;
- Banksmen and onsetters;
- Winding plant record an logbooks;
- Trial run of winding plant;
- Requirements for examination of winding plant and shaft;
- Access to conveyance;
- Small winding plants.





CHAPTER 16 - Rescue, First Aid and Emergency Preparedness and Response Regulations

Chapter 16 of the Regulations is substituted. These amendments deal with, inter alia-

- Report to employer relating to events that might lead to an emergency;
- Issuing and deployment of self-contained self-rescuers;
- No defective, obsolete or unauthorised self-contained self-rescuer to be issued for use;
- Monitoring programme;
- Emergency preparedness and response;
- Refuge bays;
- Missing person locator system;

CHAPTER 22 - Schedules

Regulation 22.9(2)(a) relating to "Occupational Exposure limits for airborne pollutants" was amended w.e.f 90 days from date of publication. Date of publication was 28 March 2025.

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