

Mine Inspections

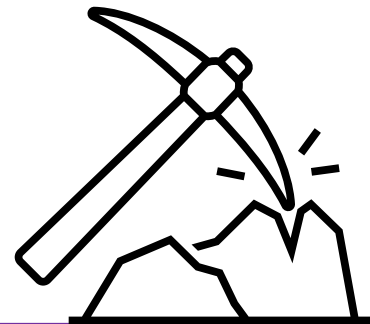
MSHA is required to inspect each underground mine four times a year and each surface mine twice a year for health and safety compliance. Certain mines with high levels of explosive or toxic gasses are inspected more often. Inspections are also conducted in response to complaints of hazardous conditions.

MSHA inspectors work out of [district offices](#) located across the country. On finding any violation of a health or safety standard, an inspector will write a citation that specifies the standard violated and evaluates the gravity of the violation by several factors, including likelihood of injury. An inspector may determine that the violation was "significant and substantial" - or reasonably likely to result in a serious injury or illness nature - or that it was caused by the operator's unwarrantable failure to comply with the standard. These carry additional penalties and could result in an order of withdrawal.

An inspector may also issue an order to withdraw due to imminent danger, failure to correct a violation within the appropriate time period, inadequate training of miners, or an unwarrantable failure to comply.

For details, please see the [Citation and Order Writing handbook](#) and our list of [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

An inspection ends with a close-out conference in which the inspector explains the results to the mine operator. If desired, the operator may request a safety and health conference at the district level within 10 days, briefly explaining in writing why each citation or order should be conferenced.



Mine Safety and Health Enforcement

MSHA works to prevent fatalities, illness, and injury from mining and secure safe and healthful workplaces for America's miners. Mine Safety and Health Enforcement is responsible for performing the Agency's enforcement activities including:

- Conducting inspections, including mandatory quarterly and semiannual inspections of mines and facilities.
- Issuing citations and orders for any observed violations.
- Issuing a withdrawal order, removing equipment from service, and/or withdrawing miners in cases of imminent danger.
- Conducting health sampling of respirable dust and noise exposure at mines, as well as monitoring toxic materials and harmful physical agents.
- Investigating fatal and serious nonfatal accidents.
- Investigating complaints of hazardous conditions reported by miners.
- Investigating criminal violations.
- Examining complaints of discrimination reported by miners.
- Conducting safety and health conferences with mine operators on violations.
- Approving required roof control, ventilation, emergency response, and training plans.
- Reviewing mine operators' mining plans and education and training programs for miners
- Directing various mine safety and health assistance programs.
- Training and certifying instructors.
- Developing improved safety and health standards.



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The Safety Consortium was founded in 1995 to serve the safety needs of construction and mining businesses. We offer our courses monthly to facilitate people being able to receive training, testing, and certification in a timely manner. We are proud to have worked with many of the top mining and construction companies, providing their people with quality training.

The Safety Consortium is your best bet for MSHA and OSHA Training. We offer: Forklift Training, Working at Elevations, Basic First Aid Certification, OSHA 10 & 30 Hrs for Construction, OSHA, Respirator Fit Testing, Occupational Audiometric Testing, Hearing Conservation Programs, Trenching & Excavation, HAZWOPER 8Hr, HAZWOPER 24, HAZWOPER 40, MSHA New Miner (NEIM), MSHA 8Hr Annual Refresher, Confined Space, Rigging & Signaling, Etc.

Upcoming Open Enrollment Dates:

(Annual Refresher, New Miner, First Aid)

January 10-12, 2023

January 23-25, 2023

February 6th and 8th, 2023

February 20-22, 2023

March 6-8, 2023

March 20-22, 2023

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Guy: Someting for New Year's Eve.

Barber: Say no more fam.

