

**460. DEPARTMENT OF MINES  
CHAPTER 15. UNDERGROUND COAL AND ASPHALT**

**SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL STANDARDS**

**460:15-1-15. Self rescue device. [AMENDED]**

Every operator shall supply every miner and every visitor a self rescue device and a self contained breathing apparatus which are approved by MSHA. Every miner or visitor must be instructed in the use of such.

~~(1) The self rescue device must be carried by the miner at all times the self contained breathing apparatus may be placed in an area or on his equipment provided it is readily accessible, protected from damage and not more than twenty five (25) feet from such person.~~

~~(2) The mine operator may apply to the Department of Mines for a variance to place the self contained self rescue device more than twenty five (25) feet from the miner. The requirements for said variance shall comply with CFR 30 sec 75-1714-2.~~

**460:15-1-19. Safety devices. [AMENDED]**

(a) Only approved miners cap lamps, ~~flame safety lamps~~ and methane detectors shall be used. The operator shall provide an adequate number of cap lamps, ~~flame safety lamps~~ and methane detectors for miners and certified personnel. ~~Only certified personnel may use a flame safety lamp.~~

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to carry an open light, match, flame making devices, or any smoking material into any coal mine.

(c) Each person that works in or around a mine shall wear the following protective clothing and devices:

(1) Suitable protective clothing and face shield or goggles when welding, cutting or working with molten metals or when any hazard to the eyes exist from flying objects.

(2) Suitable clothing when handling toxic or corrosive materials.

(3) A suitable hard hat and protective footwear.

(4) Snug fitting clothing shall be worn when around moving equipment or machinery.