

**13 NCAC 06 .0518 DREDGES AND SAND PUMPS**

- (a) Guarding Spuds. Spuds and spud lifting collars shall be either guarded or isolated.
- (b) Hand Rails, Handcables and Handropes. Where practicable, all floating dredges and sand pumps shall be equipped with suitable hand rails, handcables or handropes so as to prevent miners from falling overboard.
- (c) Inspection and Maintenance. Hulls and/or floats which support dredges or sand pumps shall be inspected regularly and maintained in a safe and watertight condition.
- (d) Life Preservers. Approved-type life preservers shall be worn by all miners working afloat except when working on dredges and sand pumps equipped with hand rails, handcables or handropes. Approved-type life preservers shall be worn by miners while working in any area not protected by hand rails, handcables or handropes. An adequate number of suitable life preservers shall be kept on board at all times for emergency use.
- (e) Submerged Anchor Lines. Work boats shall not be permitted to pass over submerged anchor lines while dredges are in operation.
- (f) Walking on Pipe Lines. Miners shall not be permitted to walk on floating pipe lines unless the pipe lines are fitted with safe walkways and hand rails.
- (g) Work Boats. Work boats shall be stable and maintained in a safe condition.

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