

### **13 NCAC 07F .0704      BLASTER QUALIFICATIONS**

Additions and amendments to 29 CFR 1926.901 Blaster Qualifications apply throughout the Rules in this Section as follows:

- (a) Blasters shall be able to understand and give written and oral orders.
- (b) Blasters and others authorized to handle or transport explosive materials or conduct blast site activities shall be in sufficiently good physical condition to perform the work safely and not be addicted to, or under the influence of, narcotics, intoxicants, or similar types of drugs.
- (c) Blasters shall be qualified, by reason of training, knowledge, or experience, in the field of transporting, storing, handling, and use of explosives, and have a working knowledge of State, federal and local laws and regulations which pertain to explosives.
- (d) Blasters shall be required by the employer to furnish evidence satisfactory to the employer of competency in handling explosives and performing in a safe manner the type of blasting that will be required.
- (e) Blasters shall be knowledgeable in the use of each type of blasting method used.
- (f) Pursuant to 29 CFR 1926.21(b), the employer shall instruct each employee in the recognition and avoidance of unsafe conditions and the regulations applicable to the employee's work and work environment.

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