

COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This first paragraph presently appears as Article 66C, section 566 (a) of the Code. The only changes made are in style.

(2) ALTERNATIVE TO LOCATICN.--INSTEAD OF LOCATING THE FAN AND PRESSURE RELIEF OR EXPLOSION DOORS, AS REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (2) OF THE SUBSECTION, THE FAN MAY BE DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF OR OVER THE MINE OPENING, IF THE OPENING IS NOT IN DIRECT LINE WITH POSSIBLE FORCES COMING OUT OF THE MINE IF AN EXPLOSION OCCURS. IF THERE IS ANOTHER OPENING HAVING A WEAK-WALL STOPPING OR EXPLOSION DOOR THAT WOULD BE IN DIRECT LINE WITH THE FORCES COMING OUT OF THE MINE IF AN EXPLOSION OCCURS, THE OPENING MAY NOT BE LESS THAN 15 FEET NOR MORE THAN 100 FEET FROM THE FAN OPENING. NO MAIN FAN MAY BE PLACED INSIDE ANY MINE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This second paragraph presently appears as Article 66C, section 566(b) of the Code. The only changes made are in style.

(3) REVERSAL OF AIR FLOW; ALARM WHEN FAN SLOWS OR STOPS.--EVERY MINE FAN SHALL BE INSTALLED TO PERMIT THE REVERSAL OF AIR FLOW AND, UNLESS THE FAN IS ATTENDED CONSTANTLY, AN AUTOMATIC DEVICE TO GIVE ALARM WHEN THE FAN SLOWS DOWN OR STOPS. THIS DEVICE SHALL BE PLACED SO THAT A RESPONSIBLE PERSON CAN SEE OR HEAR IT. THE FAN OF A GASSY MINE SHALL BE ON A SEPARATE POWER CIRCUIT, INDEPENDENT OF THE MINE CIRCUIT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This third paragraph presently appears as Article 66C, section 566(c) of the Code. The only changes made are in style.

(4) MAIN FAN OF GASSY MINE; INSPECTION; PROCEDURE WHEN FAN STOPS.-- IF THE MAIN FAN OF A GASSY MINE FAILS OR STOPS, IMMEDIATE ACTION SHALL BE TAKEN TO CUT OFF THE POWER AND WITHDRAW THE MEN FROM THE FACE REGION OF THE MINE. IF VENTILATION IS RESTORED IN A REASONABLE TIME, A CERTIFIED OR CAPABLE SUPERVISOR SHALL RE-EXAMINE THE FACE REGION AND ANY OTHER PLACE METHANE IS LIKELY TO ACCUMULATE. IF THE REGION IS FOUND FREE FROM EXPLOSIVE GAS, POWER MAY BE RESTORED AND WORK RESUMED. IF VENTILATION IS NOT RESTORED IN A REASONABLE TIME, EVERY UNDERGROUND EMPLOYEE SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE MINE.