

# Immediately Reportable Accidents and Injuries

**1-800-746-1553**



**ONE CALL DOES IT ALL!**

Mine operators are required to immediately call **MSHA's toll-free number** at 1-800-746-1553 to notify MSHA of an immediately reportable accident. This single toll-free phone call is required by the **Emergency Mine Evacuation Final Rule** published in the Federal Register on December 8, 2006, and is the **only call that mine operators will need to make to notify MSHA.**

Mine operators must call immediately, but no later than 15 minutes from the time they know or should know that an accident has occurred.

## Immediately Reportable Accidents and Injuries are:

1. A death of an individual at a mine;
2. An injury to an individual at a mine which has a reasonable potential to cause death;
3. An entrapment of an individual for more than thirty minutes or which has a reasonable potential to cause death;
4. An unplanned inundation of a mine by a liquid or gas;
5. An unplanned ignition or explosion of gas or dust;
6. In underground mines, an unplanned fire not extinguished within 10 minutes of discovery; in surface mines and surface areas of underground mines, an unplanned fire not extinguished within 30 minutes of discovery;
7. An unplanned ignition or explosion of a blasting agent or an explosive;
8. An unplanned roof fall at or above the anchorage zone in active workings where roof bolts are in use; or, an unplanned roof or rib fall in active workings that impairs ventilation or impedes passage;
9. A coal or rock outburst that causes withdrawal of miners or which disrupts regular mining activity for more than one hour;
10. An unstable condition at an impoundment, refuse pile, or culm bank which requires emergency action in order to prevent failure, or which causes individuals to evacuate an area; or, failure of an impoundment, refuse pile, or culm bank;
11. Damage to hoisting equipment in a shaft or slope which endangers an individual or which interferes with use of the equipment for more than thirty minutes; and
12. An event at a mine which causes death or bodily injury to an individual not at the mine at the time the event occurs.

Note: Injuries not related to one of the twelve types of accidents mentioned in 30 C.F.R. § [50.2\(h\)](#), such as ordinary sprains, strains, minor cuts, minor burns, bruises or other injuries that are not life-threatening, do not require immediate notification. These types of injuries should be reported via the [7000-1](#) form under Part 50 regulations.