

an Inspector, and his certificate in writing given that the aforesaid appliances have been fitted to his approval, and that the cage or barrier is in fit working-order.

- (13.) No person shall interfere with the engine, except the certificated winding-engine driver, when men are being raised in or lowered down a shaft. The certificated engine-driver shall at all times gently lift the cage from the pit-bottom, and carefully drive the engine, and not leave the handle while persons are in the shaft; and it shall be an offence for any person other than the certificated engine-driver, or the mine-manager, or any person appointed in writing by him, to be in the engine-room while persons are being raised or lowered in the shaft. Particular attention shall be paid to all indicators and signals, and the engine shall be stopped if any defect is perceived.
- (14.) Every windlass operated by hand used in any mining operations shall be fitted with a ratchet and pawl, so as to prevent the rotation of the barrel or drum in the event of the handle being released.
- (15.) A printed copy of the foregoing general rules shall at all times be kept posted in the office, and on some building or board in a conspicuous place in connection with every mine, and shall be renewed as often as the same is torn or defaced.
- (16.) Subsection (47) of section 274 of the Mining Act (relating to offences) shall apply to the foregoing general rules.

Special as to Dredges.

95. The following special rules shall be observed in the case of every dredge used for mining purposes:—

- (1.) Every dredge used for mining purposes shall be kept provided with safety appliances as follows:—
 - (a.) A life-buoy, a light line, and a boat-hook near the bow of the dredge.
 - (b.) A life-buoy, a light line, and a boat-hook near the stern of the dredge.
 - (c.) A boat containing a light line and a boat-hook.
 - (d.) A looped wire line securely fastened around outside of pontoons about 6 in. above water-line.
- (2.) In every case where the Warden or Inspector notifies the owner or manager of the dredge that the stream in which the dredge is being constructed or worked is deep or swift-flowing, then, in addition to the foregoing appliances, the dredge shall be kept provided with not less than two boats, inclusive of the boat required to be kept under subclause (1) hereof, and each of such boats must be equipped ready for use and continuously furnished with a life-buoy, a light line not less than 50 ft. in length, and a boat-hook not less than 7 ft. long. Life-belts shall also be provided, and each member of the crew of any boat shall wear a life-belt when engaged in shifting the mooring-lines of the dredge.
- (3.) All safety appliances shall be kept in conspicuous places within easy reach, and when damaged or lost shall be immediately renewed.
- (4.) The well-hole of every dredge shall be fenced or covered over as far as is reasonably practicable, and where such fencing or covering is not practicable a moveable gangway of not less than 2 ft. 6 in. wide, and fitted with a substantial handrail at each side, shall be provided and used by persons for crossing the well-hole.
- (5.) No person shall step on the buckets or chain when in motion.
- (6.) All exposed gearing, belting, or machinery shall be kept fenced to the satisfaction of the Inspector.
- (7.) On any dredge which is not entirely covered in, the sides of the uncovered portion of the hull shall be fitted with stanchions not more than 8 ft. apart, and also with two substantial handrails or tightly stretched wires or chains, the lower rail, wire, or chain not being more than 10 in. above the deck, and these may be made movable for the purpose of taking coal and material on board the dredge, but shall be kept in position at all other times.
- (8.) Every dredge working close to a bank shall be provided with a gangway not less than 2 ft. 6 in. wide and of sufficient length to reach from the dredge to the bank. Such gangway shall be provided with a substantial handrail at each side, and be secured to the deck of the dredge.
- (9.) All the aforesaid safety appliances shall be subject to the approval of the Inspector.
- (10.) The length of freeboard between the deck of the dredge and the surface of the water shall at no time be allowed to be less than the Inspector directs.

- (11.) Every dredge shall be provided with latrine-accommodation to the satisfaction of the Inspector.
- (12.) Except in the case of dredges in use at the time of the gazetted of these regulations, a dredge shall not be used for working a claim until it has been inspected by an Inspector who certifies as to the strength and soundness of the pontoons, the efficiency of the safety appliances, and the sufficiency of length of freeboard.
- (13.) In any case where the Inspector is of opinion that a dredge is unsafe, and should be suspended or condemned, he shall make report thereon to the Warden, whereupon the following provisions shall apply:—
 - (a.) The Warden may issue a summons requiring the owner of the dredge to show cause why it should not be suspended or condemned.
 - (b.) On the return of the summons, and after full inquiry and investigation, the Warden may, by order, either suspend the dredge from working until it is renovated and rendered safe to his satisfaction, or condemn it altogether, or give such other direction in the premises as he thinks fit; and it shall be the duty of the owner of the dredge, and all other persons concerned, to obey such order.
- (14.) A printed copy of the foregoing special rules shall be kept posted in a conspicuous place on every dredge, and shall be renewed as often as the same is torn or defaced.
- (15.) It shall be the duty of the owner and manager of the dredge, and of every person in charge of or giving orders or directions relating to the working of the dredge or employed thereon, to faithfully comply with the foregoing special rules, and if they fail or neglect so to do they shall be severally guilty of an offence.

General.

96. Any requirement, order, or direction of the Inspector under the aforesaid section 274, or these regulations, may be made by writing under his hand addressed in general terms to the person in charge of the mine or dredge, and delivered at the mine or dredge; and it shall be the duty of the owner and manager to faithfully comply therewith.

REGISTRATION OF APPLIANCES AND PROCESSES FOR TREATING ORES AND METALS.

97. For the purposes of Part VI of the Mining Act (relating to the registration of appliances and processes for treating ores and metals) the following provisions shall apply:—

- (1.) Any person who, as owner or proprietor of a machine, desires to register the same shall lodge with the Registrar an application for registration, in the form numbered 57 in the First Schedule hereto or to that effect.
- (2.) If after inquiry the Registrar is satisfied as to the facts he shall register the machine in manner hereinafter provided; but if he is not so satisfied he shall refer the application to the Warden, who shall decide the matter, after making such investigation as he thinks fit.
- (3.) The Machine Register-book shall be in the form numbered 58 in the First Schedule hereto, and registration shall be effected by entering in the said book the particulars indicated in the said form.
- (4.) On registering the machine the Registrar shall issue to the applicant a license to work the machine.
- (5.) The license may be in the form numbered 59 in the First Schedule hereto.
- (6.) The renewal of the license may be effected by the Registrar in the same manner, *mutatis mutandis*, as in the case of the renewal of a tunnel-prospecting license by the Warden, and for that purpose clause 11 of these regulations, with all necessary modifications, shall apply.
- (7.) The monthly return mentioned in subsection (k) of section 310 of the Mining Act may be in the form numbered 60 in the First Schedule hereto.

COMPENSATION.

As to Compensation payable otherwise than by the Crown.

98. Except in the cases where under the Mining Act or these regulations specific provision is made as to the mode of assessing compensation, all compensation payable thereunder, otherwise than by the Crown, shall be assessed in such manner as is agreed on by the parties concerned, or, failing agreement, then by the Warden and two Assessors.

99. In every case where the compensation is to be assessed by the Warden and two assessors, the provisions of section 119 of the Mining Act shall apply.