

<b><u>DIVISION OF MINES GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION OF REGULATORY STANDARDS MANUAL</u></b>	
<b>COAL MINE SAFETY ACT</b>	<b>CHAPTER 14.3</b>
<b>ARTICLE 14</b>	<b>VENTILATION, MINE GASES, AND OTHER HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS</b>
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**Section 45.1-161.221. D.**

**Coursing of Air**

**Changes in Ventilation**

Any change in ventilation to any split of air which increases or decreases the quantity of a normal split of air by 9,000 cubic feet per minute or which materially affects the mine ventilation system split, shall be made only when the mine is idle and power is de-energized in the affected area.

In coordinating and conducting work underground to achieve needed ventilation changes, the operator should employ only those qualified personnel necessary to perform the work. Before power can be restored and other work performed in affected areas of the mine, a pre-shift examination as required under 45.1-161.208 must be performed.