

<b>DIVISION OF MINES GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION OF REGULATORY STANDARDS MANUAL</b>	
<b>COAL MINE SAFETY ACT</b>	<b>CHAPTER 14.3</b>
<b>ARTICLE 5</b>	<b>EXPLOSIVES AND BLASTING.</b>
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**Section 45.1-161.128.B.**

**Underground storage of explosives.**

**Explosives**

The intent of this standard is to control the amount of explosives that may be stored underground.

A typical 48-hour supply of explosives used at the mine should be established. The mine operator/agent should confirm through records that the amount of explosives stored underground is the amount that would normally be used within any given 48-hour period.

The explosives stored underground should be examined for deterioration, and shelf life expiration. Any explosives exceeding shelf life expiration dates or that have deteriorated shall be handled and disposed of in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.