

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES AND NUNAVUT
SAFETY ACT
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS
INTERPRETATION

1. In these regulations,

“accident causing serious bodily injury” means an accident at a work site that

- (a) causes or could reasonably be expected to cause the death of an individual, or
- (b) requires an individual to be admitted to a hospital as an in-patient for a period of 24 hours or more;
(*accident causant des lésions corporelles graves*)

“dangerous occurrence” means an occurrence that does not result in, but could have resulted in an accident causing serious bodily injury, such as

- (a) structural failure or collapse of
 - (i) a structure, scaffold, temporary falsework or concrete formwork, or
 - (ii) a tunnel, caisson, coffer dam, trench, excavated shaft or excavation,
- (b) failure of a crane or hoist or the overturning of a crane or powered mobile equipment,
- (c) accidental contact with an energized conductor,
- (d) bursting of a grinding wheel,
- (e) uncontrolled spill or escape of a toxic, corrosive or explosive substance,
- (f) premature or accidental detonation of explosives,
- (g) failure of an elevated or suspended platform, or
- (h) failure of an atmosphere-supplying respirator; (*événement dangereux*)

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MINE HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS
PART XVI

16.01. In this part,

“dangerous occurrence” means

- (a) an incident involving the hoist, sheaves, hoisting rope, conveyance or shaft timbering or structure,
- (b) an inrush of water,
- (c) a cracking, seeping, or failure of a dam or bulkhead,
- (d) an outbreak of fire,
- (e) a premature or unexpected explosion or ignition,
- (f) the occurrence of flammable, noxious or toxic gas in mine workings or at an exploration site,
- (g) unexpected and non-controlled extensive subsidence or caving of mine workings,
- (h) an explosion or outbreak of fire in any way related to the operation of an air compressor, air receiver, compressed air line or steam boiler,
- (i) a breakdown in the main ventilation system,
- (j) loss of control or major damage to any mobile equipment,
- (k) an uncontrolled fall of ground causing physical damage or the displacement of more than 50 t of material, and
- (l) any unusual occurrence not listed in paragraphs (a) to (k); (*événement dangereux*)

“reportable incident” is an incident involving serious injury or death; (*incident à signaler*)

“serious injury” includes:

- (a) a fracture of the skull, spine, pelvis, femur, humerus, fibula, tibia, radius or ulna,
- (b) an amputation of a major part of a hand or foot,
- (c) the permanent loss of the sight of an eye,
- (d) any serious internal haemorrhage,
- (e) any burn that is caused by electricity and requires medical attention,
- (f) any third degree burn,
- (g) any injury caused directly or indirectly by explosives,
- (h) any asphyxiation or poisoning that causes a partial or total loss of physical control, and
- (i) any other injury likely to endanger life or cause permanent impairment. (*blessure grave*)