Subpart C—Fire Prevention and Control

§ 57.4000 Definitions.

The following definitions apply in this subpart.

**Combustible liquids.** Liquids having a flash point at or above 100 °F (37.8 °C). They are divided into the following classes:

- **Class II liquids**—those having flash points at or above 100 °F (37.8 °C) and below 140 °F (60 °C).
- **Class IIIA liquids**—those having flash points at or above 140 °F (60 °C) and below 200 °F (93.4 °C).
- **Class IIIB liquids**—those having flash points at or above 200 °F (93.4 °C).

**Escapeway.** A designated passageway by which persons can leave an underground mine.

**Flash point.** The minimum temperature at which sufficient vapor is released by a liquid to form a flammable vapor-air mixture near the surface of the liquid.

**Main fan.** A fan that controls the entire airflow of an underground mine or the airflow of one of the major air circuits of the mine.

**Mine opening.** Any opening or entrance from the surface into an underground mine.

**Safety can.** A container of not over five gallons capacity that is designed to safely relieve internal pressure when exposed to heat and has a spring-closing lid and spout cover.


§ 57.4011 Abandoned electric circuits.

Abandoned electric circuits shall be deenergized and isolated so that they cannot become energized inadvertently.

§ 57.4057 Underground trailing cables.

Underground trailing cables shall be accepted or approved by MSHA as flame resistant.

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