

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF MINERAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

**Application for Examination and Certification  
As A Surface Mine Blaster**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. This application is for persons seeking blaster certification pursuant to section 1501:13-9-10 of the Ohio Administrative Code (EFFECTIVE November 1, 1985; REVISED April 15, 2004).
2. All applicants who are approved to take the examination shall pay a fee of ten dollars. **DO NOT SEND FEE WITH APPLICATION. FEE MUST BE PAID TO EXAMINER AT EXAMINATION ROOM.**
3. All information requested in this application is to be truthfully completed to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief. Any applicant making false statements, or submitting false statements or signatures from employers or blasters, shall be subject to criminal prosecution, and shall be required to surrender any certificate he or she may have received from the former Mine Examining Board and/or the Division of Mineral Resources Management.
4. Application must be filled out by the applicant in ink in his or her own handwriting (please print), and sent to the **Division of Mineral Resources Management, 2207 Reiser Avenue SE, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663.**
5. Applicant must have at least 2 years of experience working on a blasting crew in mining, excavation, or an equivalent working environment. **Applicant should use care in giving full details of all experience that would meet the above criteria.** If the space provided is not sufficient, use additional paper and attach it to the application.
6. Applicant must have received on-the-job training from a blaster who is certified or licensed in any state.
7. Applicant must not be addicted to alcohol, narcotics, or other dangerous drugs, and must have exhibited a pattern of conduct consistent with the acceptance of responsibility for blasting operations.
8. Applicant must have successfully completed a blasting course (30-hour minimum) approved by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mineral Resources Management, **or** must be currently enrolled, or planning to enroll, in such a course. For a current list of approved blasting courses, call the Division of Mineral Resources Management at (330) 339-2207.
9. If the applicant submits a complete application and meets all of the experience, conduct, and training requirements, the applicant will be notified of the date, time, and place of the written examination.

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## INSTRUCTIONS - Continued

10. If the applicant is currently enrolled or is planning to enroll in an approved blasting course, and meets **all** other requirements, the applicant will be notified of the examination date, time and place through the course instructor. However, eligibility to take the examination will be conditional upon notification by the course instructor that the applicant has successfully completed the approved blasting course.
11. A person who fails both parts of the surface mine blaster examination may take the examination again **no earlier than thirty days** after the date of the examination which was failed. A new application must be submitted in accordance with the above procedures. A person who fails only one part of the examination may, at the discretion of the exam administrator, take that same part of the exam (but a different version if available) immediately or at a later date, without having to re-apply.

### WHAT TO BRING TO THE EXAM

1. Ten-dollar fee (personal check or money order payable to *Treasurer, State of Ohio*).
2. Admission card (if you received one prior to the exam date).
3. Positive, photographic form of identification (only a driver's license will be accepted without question).
4. Hand-held electronic calculator or an explosive engineer's calculator (slide-chart type), or both.

### WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED AT THE EXAM

1. Exam booklet and pencil.
2. List of main blast design and vibration equations.
3. Loading density chart.
4. All the above must be returned to the examiner before leaving the examination room.

**\* IMPORTANT \***

**\* DO NOT MAIL THESE INSTRUCTION SHEETS WITH YOUR APPLICATION \***

**\* SAVE FOR REFERENCE \***

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Read carefully all the information and instructions on the two cover pages before filling out this application. Please **print** in ink.

SECTION A

1. Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last*
*First*
*Middle*

2. Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Address*

\_\_\_\_\_

*City*
*State*
*Zip Code*
*County*

3. Telephone: Home: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Business: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Social Security Number (*last 4 digits only*): \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

5. City in which you prefer to take the examination: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Have you taken an Ohio surface mine blaster examination any time **after** November 1, 1985? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If yes, give last exam date: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Are you currently addicted to alcohol, narcotics, or other dangerous drugs? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Have you completed training in a blasting course approved by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mineral Resources Management? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, give the course instructor, location, and dates you attended. If no, give the course instructor, location, and **proposed** dates of attendance where you are currently enrolled or planning to enroll.

\_\_\_\_\_

*Course Instructor*

*Location*

*Dates (from – to)*

9. List any additional formal training you have received in blasting.

Title of Course or Training Session	Course Sponsor	Course Location	Total Hours	Dates Attended From – To

10. List and describe, **in detail**, your work experience that would qualify you to take the blaster certification examination. (You must have at least 2 years of blasting crew experience in mining, excavation, or an equivalent working environment.) **List your most recent experience first.**

Employer's Name, Address and Telephone Number	Job Title and Job Description	Dates From - To

SECTION B

**This section must be signed by your current or most recent employer. (You may not sign your own name.)**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_,  
*name of applicant*

while employed by \_\_\_\_\_, in the position of \_\_\_\_\_,  
*name of company or firm*

exhibited a pattern of conduct consistent with the acceptance of responsibility for blasting operations.

I have known the applicant since \_\_\_\_\_  
*month and year*

Employer or supervisor's name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION C

**You must have this section completed by a certified or licensed blaster (from any state) from whom you have received on-the-job training.** If you received your training from more than one blaster, make photocopies of this page as needed, have them completed, and attach them to your application.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_,  
*name of applicant*

while employed by \_\_\_\_\_, in the position of \_\_\_\_\_,  
*name of company or firm*

received direction and on-the-job training from me from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*date* *date*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cert. or License Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
*print full name*

Issuing State: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION D

I hereby certify that the answers I have made to the items in Section A, above, are in my own handwriting and are full and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I further certify that the statements provided about myself in Sections B and C, above, are true and accurate statements of my pattern of conduct and on-the-job training history.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

SEND THIS APPLICATION ONLY TO:

Division of Mineral Resources Management  
2207 Reiser Avenue SE  
New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663

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