351.060 Qualifications of executive director of Office of Mine Safety and Licensing.

(1) The executive director of the Office of Mine Safety and Licensing shall be a citizen of Kentucky and shall be thoroughly familiar with all methods of safety pertaining to the operation of mines.

(2) The executive director shall have a practical knowledge of:

(a) The different systems of working and ventilating coal mines;

(b) The nature, chemistry, and properties of noxious, poisonous, and explosive gases, the dangers due to these gases, and the prevention of these dangers;

(c) The dangers incident to blasting and the prevention of these dangers;

(d) The methods for the management and extinguishment of mine fires;

(e) The methods for rescue and relief work in mine disasters;

(f) The application of electricity in mining operations;

(g) The application of mechanical loading in mining operations;

(h) The equipment and explosives manufactured for use in coal mines;

(i) The methods used in locating oil and gas wells when drilled through any coal seam;

(j) The proper manner of drilling and plugging oil and gas wells;

(k) Mining engineering; and

(l) The methods for the prevention of explosions in mines due to gas or dust.

(3) The executive director shall be capable of efficiently reporting on any proposed development in mining operations or the possibility of operating any coal or clay seam.

(4) The executive director shall hold a mine inspector's certificate.

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