



BC Mine Shiftboss Certifications and Prerequisites

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Shiftboss – Open Pit	
Successful completion allows the candidate to perform the duties of an Open Pit Shift Boss at a mine.	
Prerequisites:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 18 years of age • Is conversant with the English language • Is the holder of a first aid and spinal immobilization/transportation endorsement certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector • Has an adequate knowledge of the Mines Act, the regulations, the code and of other information and material considered necessary by the Board of Examiners, including mine safety, mine rescue and lasting practices and procedures • Has had at least three years’ relevant experience in and about the working of a mine, or has obtained a degree or diploma, approved by the Board of Examiners, in engineering from a university or technical institute and has not less than one year of experience and such experience shall be acceptable to the Board
Candidate Must Provide:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for BC Mine Shiftboss Certification • Valid first aid certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector • Proof of ID
Passing Grade for Online Exam:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75%

Shiftboss – Sand and Gravel
Successful completion allows the candidate to perform the duties of a Sand and Gravel Shift Boss on a sand and gravel or placer mine site.

Prerequisites:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 18 years of age • Is conversant with the English language • Is the holder of a first aid certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector • Has an adequate knowledge of the Mines Act, the regulations, and the code and of other information and material considered necessary by the Board of Examiners, including mine safety and mine rescue • Has had at least three years' relevant experience in and about the working of a mine, or has obtained a degree or diploma, approved by the Board of Examiners, in engineering from a university or technical institute and has had not less than one year of experience and such experience shall be acceptable to the Board
Candidate Must Provide:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for BC Mine Shiftboss Certification • Valid first aid certificate • Proof of ID
Passing Grade for Online Exam:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75%

Shiftboss - Underground

Successful completion allows the candidate to perform the duties of an Underground Shift Boss in an underground, non-coal mine.

Prerequisites:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 18 years of age • Is conversant with the English language • Is the holder of a first aid certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector • Has an adequate knowledge of the Mines Act, the regulations, the code and of other information and material considered necessary by the Board of Examiners, including mine safety, mine rescue and lasting practices and procedures • Has had at least three years' relevant experience in and about the working of a mine, or has obtained a degree or diploma, approved by the Board of Examiners, in engineering from a university or technical institute and has had not less than one year of experience and such experience shall be acceptable to the Board
Candidate Must Provide:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for BC Mine Shiftboss Certification • Valid first aid certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector • Proof of ID
Passing Grade for Online Exam:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75%

Equivalent Certification Process

The equivalency certification is a result of an inter-provincial agreement (Agreement on Internal Trade) that allows provinces to recognize certified skills from other jurisdictions in Canada. To obtain Shiftboss

credentials in B.C., candidates must complete a regulatory exam to ensure familiarity with the Mines Act and Code (Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in British Columbia).

During the interview, the Inspector of Mines will review the candidate's experience, knowledge and attitude toward safety.

Proof of valid equivalent certification from another jurisdiction must be provided at the interview.

Prerequisites:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A current, valid shiftboss competency certificate from a jurisdiction in Canada• Is conversant with the English language• Is the holder of a first aid certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector
Candidate Must Provide:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Application for BC Mine Shiftboss Certification• Valid first aid certificate to a standard required by the Chief Inspector• Proof of ID
Passing Grade for Online Exam:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 75%