

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 451 of 1994

324.63407 Mining permit; validity; revocation; termination; transfer; amendment.

Sec. 63407. (1) A mining permit is valid for the life of the mine. However, the department may revoke a permit if the permittee has not commenced mining activities covered by the permit within 3 years after the date of issuance of the permit.

(2) The department may terminate a mining permit upon request of the permittee if the department determines that the permittee has complied with all applicable provisions of this part.

(3) A mining permit may be transferred with approval of the department. The person seeking to acquire the permit shall submit a request for transfer of the permit to the department on forms provided by the department. The person acquiring the permit shall accept the conditions of the existing permit and adhere to the requirements set forth in the approved mining and reclamation plan and provide a conformance bond as set forth in section 63409. Pending the transfer of the existing permit, the person seeking to acquire the permit shall not operate the mine.

(4) A mining permit shall not be transferred to a person who has been determined by the department to be in violation of this part, rules promulgated under this part, or a condition of a permit issued under this part, until the person acquiring the permit has corrected the violation or the department has accepted a compliance schedule and the person that will acquire the permit has entered into a written consent agreement to correct the violation.

(5) If the permittee has been notified by the department of a violation of this part, rules promulgated under this part, or a condition of the permit issued under this part at the mining area involved in the transfer, the mining permit shall not be transferred to a person until the permittee has corrected the violation or the person that will acquire the permit has entered into a written consent agreement to correct the violation.

(6) A mining permit may be amended upon submission to the department of a request by the permittee. The department shall determine whether the requested amendment constitutes a significant change to the mining and reclamation plan. If the department determines that the requested amendment constitutes a significant change, the department shall submit the request for amendment to the same review process as provided for a new permit application in section 63405(4) to (8). If the department determines that the requested amendment does not constitute a significant change, the department shall approve the request within 14 days after receiving the request.

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