

NZ Safety Alert

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Let's work together to keep ourselves and our workers safe

WorkSafe certificates of competence

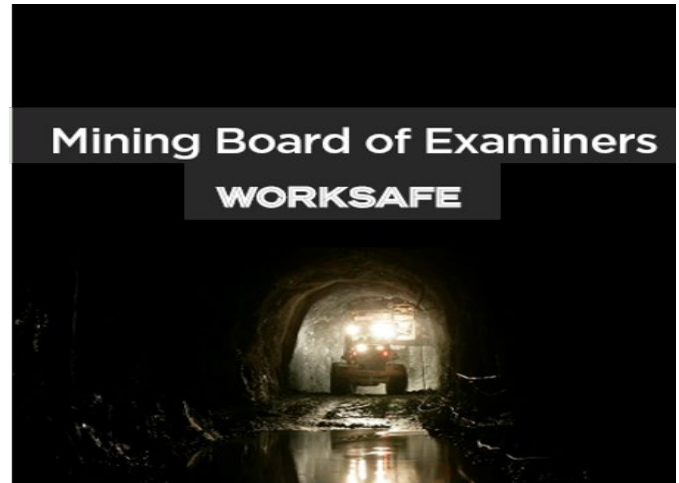
A number of CoC renewal applications have not been submitted, as required **within 2 months of expiry of the CoC**. The Board of Examiners (BOE) have no scope for accepting late applications due to the requirements of the regulations and this may result in you **losing your CoC**.

Certificates of competence update

The New Zealand Mining Board of Examiners ('the Board') would like to update holders of Certificates of Competence (CoC) of their obligations involving the renewal of their CoC(s).

CoC holders must submit their applications **before two months of the CoC expiry date**. Regulation 44 of the Health and Safety at Work (Mining Operations and Quarrying Operations) Regulations 2016 ('the regulations') requires this and there is no exception. The Board will be unable to process your applications if it is received after this date.

Regulation 44 was reviewed recently by WorkSafe to legally clarify its application submission requirements. If you are concerned that you may not have all of the required information accompanying your application the Board advises that you should still submit your application (including any information you do hold) prior to two months of the expiry of your CoC and also [contact the Board's secretariat](#) for advice.



You need to ensure that you and any CoC holders working with or for you:

1. Ensure contact details held by the BOE are current. You can do this by calling them on Phone: +64 4 901 4980 or Email: BoE_Secretariat@worksafe.govt.nz
2. Check renewal information at <https://www.worksafe.govt.nz/topic-and-industry/extractives/cocs-and-cpd/applications-for-certificates-of-competence/renewal-applications/>
3. Ensure applications for renewal are submitted at least 2 months before expiry of your CoC.

Know of an incident or near miss? Please share the learnings with us.