

**PENNSYLVANIA MINE OFFICIAL
QUALIFICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATION
(Section 202 of BCMA)**

Mine Official Classification	Work Experience	Other	Minimum Passing Grade
Mine Foreman & Mine Electrician	<p>At least 5 years work experience in an underground bituminous coal mine, with two of those years in a working section.</p> <p>Exception for persons who are graduates with a bachelor's degree in mining engineering or an associate degree in mining engineering, or in the case of a mine electrician a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering or an associate degree in electrical technology course: 4 years underground experience with one of those years in a working section.</p>	Applicants shall be able to read and write the English language intelligently	<p>Mine Foreman 80% - Written</p> <p>Mine Electrician 75% - Written</p>
Assistant Mine Foreman	<p>At least 4 years work experience in an underground bituminous coal mine, with two of those years in a working section.</p> <p>Exception for persons who are graduates with a bachelor's degree in mining engineering or an associate degree in mining technology course: 3 years underground experience with one of those years in a working section.</p>	Applicants shall be able to read and write the English language intelligently	70% - Written
Mine Examiner	<p>At least 3 years work experience in an underground bituminous coal mine, with two of those years in a working section.</p> <p>Exception for persons who are graduates with a bachelor's degree in mining engineering or an associate degree in mining technology course: 2 years underground experience with one of those years in a working section.</p>	Applicants shall be able to read and write the English language intelligently	75% - Written

All Applicants:

Shall be able to read and write English intelligently and shall furnish the department with certificates notarized statements from previous employers setting forth length of service and type of work performed in different mines.

Certificates are issued to persons who have given the Bureau satisfactory evidence of their ability to perform the duties of mine foreman, mine electrician, assistant mine foreman, and mine examiner and have demonstrated competency in detection of explosive and noxious gases, mine ventilation and mine mapping.