# Part XXVIII General Mining Requirements

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## Section E519 Mine design

<u>Subsection E519(2)(j)</u> The geological characterization must include the host rock and ore body and must include crystalline silica (quartz and cristobalite). The percentage of crystalline silica must be determined as per NIOSH Method 7500 for bulk samples or equivalent.

#### Section E523 Unventilated or unsafe mine area

Shall be treated as a confined space and comply with the applicable sections of the regulations. See Part XXVII.

#### Section E529 Conveyor belts

<u>Subsection E529(1)(b)</u> (1)(b) Conveyor belts are to be made of flame retardant material or be provided with an automatic fire extinguishing system that protects the entire length of the belt for any conveyor, which if it was on fire, could impact the underground operation. If a conveyor is entirely above ground and does not impact on underground workings in any way, it does not have to be flame retardant or have the automatic fire extinguishing system.

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Note- The company must mount, in suitable locations, appropriate fire extinguishers along the conveyor length.