

## Part XXXII Open Cut Workings in Mining Operations

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#### **Section E654 Protection of workings, pits and quarries**

This section is applicable to quarry or open pit operations where access by the public may be reasonably expected. In such areas, some satisfactory means of identifying the hazard to the public must be put into place. This could be something such as large boulders barring known trails or paths which could lead pedestrians, quads, dirt bikes or snowmobiles to travel directly into a pit. Appropriate signage in strategic locations might be acceptable to protect “against inadvertent entry by persons.” In some areas, fencing of the pit or quarry may be appropriate.

For very remote sites where the likelihood of the public accessing the site is extremely low, site security gates may be acceptable. Each specific site should be assessed for the possibility of public access to determine what type of control measures are required.

#### **Section E661 Dumping from vehicle**

**Subsection E661(1)** When dumping from a vehicle in any area, there shall be a bumper block or berm, the ground must safely support the loaded vehicle, and the operator must have an unobstructed view of where he is dumping.

**Subsection E661 (2)** It is permissible to dump over bank less than 3 metres in height. For higher banks, material must be dumped a minimum of 3 metres from the berm crest and have the material pushed off over the bank with a loader or other suitable equipment.

## **Section E662      Ramps**

**Subsections E662 (1) and (2)** “Ramps” also includes haulage roads. As well, where it states “3 metres,” it is required to have 3 metres on both sides of the haulage vehicles in use.