

102. The engineman must run the ropes and loaded cages slowly up and down the pit before any person ascends or descends.

103. No one shall interfere with the engine except the engineman. He shall at all times gently lift the cage from the pit-bottom, and carefully drive the engine, and not leave the handle while persons are in the shaft, and shall not allow any person to remain in the engine-house. He shall pay particular attention to the indicators and signals, and shall stop the engine if any defect is perceived.

104. The engineman shall not leave his work whilst any person is underground, except when he is relieved by the engineman coming on the next shift; and in case of sickness or lawful absence, he must give early and sufficient notice to the engine-wright, so that a substitute may be provided.

105. The engineman shall make himself thoroughly acquainted, and act in accordance, with the signals laid down in these rules.

106. When work is suspended the engineman shall leave the cages in such a position that they do not impede the ventilation, and so as not to leave the pit-top unfenced.

107. Whilst any person is in the shaft the engineman shall drive the engine at a reduced speed.

108. The engineman or stoker shall from time to time during the day examine the fittings of the boilers, and at once report any defects to the manager or engine-wright. The stoker shall from time to time examine the water-gauge, safety valves, and steam-gauges, so as to ascertain the level of the water and pressure of the steam.

109. Any one infringing these special rules renders himself liable to prosecution, and for the payment of such penalties as are provided by the Coal-mines Acts.

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