

S11 – Appointment of Sentry H&SES03

Name

You are hereby appointed as Sentry during shotfiring operations at Quarry.

Shotfiring operations are subject to the Quarries Regulations 1999, the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and the Shotfiring Rules for the quarry.

You have been issued with a copy of the Shotfiring Rules for the quarry, which have been explained to you. You are aware that you must comply with these at all times. In particular your attention has been drawn to those sections, which relate to your duties as a sentry.

1. You will be given clear instructions, issued by the Explosives Supervisor, informing you of your duties and responsibilities and where you must position yourself for the blast.
2. You must ensure that you are in position in sufficient time to clear your area of responsibility and bar all entry to the danger zone.
3. You must ensure that you have with you a working radio.
4. You must stop traffic movement as directed.
5. You must be in radio contact with the shotfirer and when asked to do so, report that you are in position and that your area of responsibility is secure.
6. You will immediately report to the shotfirer, if at any stage the danger zone is breached or there is some other matter affecting the safety of the blast.

NB If someone is determined to pass, do not attempt to restrain them by physical means. This applies particularly to public footpaths or roads, where a courteous approach is imperative at all times.

7. You must ensure that you fully understand the audible warning procedure at the quarry which is as follows:
 - The siren will be switched on three minutes in advance of the blast.
 - Under normal circumstances, the siren will sound continuously until the blast is fired.
 - It will then be switched off.
 - The shotfirer will carry out a post blast inspection of the stone heap and face.
 - If everything is in order, he/she will give instructions for the “All Clear” signal to be sounded.
 - The “All Clear” signal is three short signals on the siren.
 - In the event of a misfire, the shotfirer will give instructions for the siren to be switched off and inform the sentries to stay in position until instructed otherwise.



- 8. You must stay in position when the shot is fired and bar all entry to the danger zone until the "All Clear" signal is sounded.
- 9. In the event of a misfire, you must stay in position and bar all entry to the danger zone until instructed to do otherwise by the shotfirer.

If at any time you are unable to properly discharge your responsibilities, you are required, without delay, to bring the matter to the notice of the Explosives Supervisor.

Explosives supervisor signed Date

I confirm receipt of the above, that I understand my duties under this appointment

Appointee signed Date

