

with an adequate supply of toilet tissue, in a location convenient to each surface work site. A single approved sanitary toilet may serve two or more surface worksites in the same surface mine where the sanitary toilet is convenient to each such worksite. Where 10 or more miners use such toilet facilities, sufficient toilets shall be furnished to provide approximately one sanitary toilet for each 10 miners. (NOTE: Sanitary toilet facilities for surface work areas of underground mines are subject to the provisions of § 75.1712-3 of this chapter.)

(b) Only sanitary toilets approved by the Health Division, Coal Mine Health and Safety, Mine Safety and Health Administration, jointly with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health shall meet the requirements of this section.

(c) Applications for approval of sanitary toilets shall be submitted to: Health Division, Coal Mine Health and Safety, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Va. 22203.

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**§ 71.501 Sanitary toilet facilities; maintenance.**

Sanitary toilets provided in accordance with the provisions of § 71.500 shall be regularly maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. Holding tanks shall be serviced and cleaned when full and in no case less than once each week when in use by draining or pumping or by removing them for cleaning and recharging. Transfer tanks and transfer equipment, if used, shall be equipped with suitable fittings to permit complete draining without spillage and allow for the sanitary transportation of wastes. Waste shall be disposed of in accordance with State and local laws and regulations.

**Subpart G—Drinking Water**

**§ 71.600 Drinking water; general.**

An adequate supply of potable water shall be provided for drinking purposes

in each surface installation and at each surface worksite of the mine.

**§ 71.601 Drinking water; quality.**

(a) Potable water provided in accordance with the provisions of § 71.600 shall meet the applicable minimum health requirements for drinking water established by the State or community in which the mine is located.

(b) Where no such requirements are applicable, the drinking water provided shall conform to the Public Health Service Drinking Water Standards, 42 CFR part 72, subpart J.

**§ 71.602 Drinking water; distribution.**

(a) Water shall be piped or transported in sanitary containers. Water systems and appurtenances thereto shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with State and local requirements. Where no such requirements are applicable, water systems and appurtenances shall be constructed and maintained in accordance with the National Plumbing Code (ASA A40.8—1955) which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part hereof. (For information as to the availability of this code, see § 71.402(b).)

(b) Water transported to the site shall be carried, stored and otherwise protected in sanitary containers constructed of smooth, impervious, heavy gauge, corrosion resistant materials. The containers shall be marked with the words "Drinking Water."

**§ 71.603 Drinking water; dispensing requirements.**

(a) Water shall be dispensed through a drinking fountain or from a water storage container with an adequate supply of single service cups stored in a clean, sanitary manner. Water shall not be dipped from inside water storage containers. Use of a common drinking cup is prohibited.

(b) Water containers shall remain sealed at all times during use and shall not be refilled with water for reuse without first being cleaned and disinfected with the use of heat or sanitizers.

(c) Drinking fountains from which water is dispensed shall be thoroughly cleaned once each week.