

High Risk Activities

(Summary from Schedule 3 of the NSW Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum sites) Regulation 2022)

High Risk Activity	Waiting Period
All mines	
Electrical work on energised electrical equipment	7 days
Commissioning/recommissioning of a winding system	1 month
Underground mines	
Development of a new mine entry	3 months
Raise boring (if raise greater than 3m in diameter and >100m long)	3 months
Connected voltage becoming greater than 12,000 volts	12 months
Underground coal mines	
Working in inrush control zone	7 days (if inspected), else 3 months
Shotfiring (if not undertaken within a year prior)	7 days
Conduct of hot work in a hazardous zone	7 days
Driving underground roadway that is wider than 5.5m	7 days
Formation of non-conforming pillars	7 days
Use of explosives designed for use in coal mines	7 days, or 1 month if explosive unused before
Use of an explosive not designed for use in coal mines	1 month
Roadway or drift without intersection for 250 metres	1 month
Sealing (other than emergency sealing)	1 month
Commissioning/recommissioning of Booster fans	1 month
Secondary extraction	3 months
Shallow depth of cover mining	3 months
Mining in outburst control zones	3 months
First applications of explosion inhibitors	3 months
First use of a vehicle with a fire-protected diesel engine	3 months
First use of an explosion barrier (not water barrier or bagged stone dust)	3 months
Use of high voltage plant & cables in a hazardous zone	12 months
Coal mines other than underground coal mines	
Highwall mining, entry of persons	7 days
All coal mines	
Highwall mining	1 month
Emplacement areas	3 months
Barrier mining	3 months