



CMSHR 1 – Health assessment form

Section 46A, Coal Mining Safety and Health Regulation 2017

Family name

First name

Middle name

Date of birth

Instructions for completing the health assessment

Employer must:

- Complete Section 1.
- Arrange and pay for the health assessment of the coal mine worker (the worker).
- Ensure the health assessment is carried out or supervised by an Appointed Medical Adviser (AMA) appointed under contract by the employer and registered with Resources Safety and Health Queensland (RSHQ) as an approved supervising doctor.
- Provide Section 1 to the Examining Medical Officer (EMO) prior to the health assessment.

Worker must:

- Bring photo identification to be confirmed by the EMO.
- Complete Section 2, including work history as follows:
 - if the worker is commencing work in the industry – must provide full previous work history; or
 - if the worker is already employed in the industry – must provide work history since last health assessment.
- Attach a separate statement if space on form is insufficient (e.g. for work history).
- Complete the consent and declaration components of Section 2.

EMO/AMA must (if undertaking medical examination):

- Be registered with RSHQ as an approved examining or supervising doctor.
- Confirm photo identification provided by the worker. (NOTE: The examination must **not** proceed if photo identification is not supplied by the coal mine worker).
- Check that Section 1 has been completed by the employer. (NOTE: The examination must not proceed if Section 1 is not completed by the employer).
- Review Section 1 of this form noting and taking advice from the employer about specific position requirements and hazard exposures. (NOTE: A respiratory function examination should be undertaken at every routine periodic health assessment).
- Review/complete Section 2 of this form (with the worker as required and comment on any abnormality).
- Ensure that the worker completes the consent and declaration components of Section 2.
- Ensure that spirometry and chest x-ray examinations are carried out in accordance with the relevant RSHQ standards in force at the time.
- Ensure that the worker is provided with a chest x-ray referral form that clearly states that the subject is a coal mine worker.
- Complete Section 3 (and attach spirometry test results, x-ray report, and ILO classification).
- **Not** complete Section 4 if not the AMA.

AMA must:

- Ensure they have been appointed as an AMA by the worker's employer recorded in Section 1 and are registered as an approved supervising doctor with RSHQ (NOTE: The AMA must **not** complete Section 4 if they have not been appointed as an AMA by the recorded employer and/or are not a registered supervising doctor).
- Review Sections 1, 2 and 3.
- Ensure the chest x-ray is examined against the ILO International Classification of Radiographs of Pneumoconioses only by a radiologist registered with RSHQ.
- Ensure that further reading of the chest x-ray has been undertaken by Lungscreen Australia.
- Complete Section 4 following the completion of relevant tests and reviews, including any chest x-ray examination and further x-ray reading.
- Arrange appropriate additional testing if the worker has abnormal respiratory function or chest x-ray examination results, in accordance with the [Coal Mine Workers' Health Scheme Clinical Pathways Guideline](#).
- Recommend that appropriate practical testing is organised if the worker has an abnormal colour vision or hearing result affecting "fitness for duty".
- Assess whether the assessment provides adequate information to complete Section 4 on the fitness for duty of the worker.
- Provide an explanation of Section 4 to the worker.
- Provide a copy of Section 4 to (a) the worker at the postal address given in Section 2, or by email if the worker agrees; and (b) the employer.
- Promptly forward or upload to the RSHQ Health Surveillance Unit, in the approved way stated on the RSHQ website, within 28 days:
 - A digital chest x-ray image file (DICOM) and a copy of the x-ray report (if forwarded, saved to CD/DVD).
 - A legible copy of the completed health assessment form and the data or information on which it was based; including the spirometry report and spirogram and/or lung function test reports, ILO classification form, high resolution CT scan report, and any relevant medical specialist reports.
- Keep the data on which the assessment or examination was based and a copy of the approved form completed for the assessment, in the approved way and period stated on the RSHQ website.

Section 1 Employer to complete

1.1 Employer's details

(a) Business or trading name

(b) Address

(c) Business phone number

(d) Email address

(e) Contact name

(f) Type of employer (*mark one for relationship with this worker*)

- i. Mine operator
- ii. Contractor to one or more mines
- iii. Supplier to one or more mines
- iv. Labour hire

1.2 Employer's AMA

(a) Name of AMA

(for this site, if AMA appointment is site specific)

1.3 Worker's proposed/current position

(a) Position ([refer to position list on the RSHQ website](#)¹, identify position title)

¹ Standardised coal mine worker positions guideline available at: www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/1386048/standardised-coal-mine-worker-positions.pdf

(b) Similar Exposure Group (SEG) ([refer to SEG information on the RSHQ website?](#))

NOTE: Employer to include all relevant SEGs for the worker.
If multiple SEGs apply, list from most commonly to least commonly applicable for that worker.

(c) Name of Mine

NOTE: If multiple sites, specify primary mine location at time of health assessment

(d) Coal mine type and work location (mark one only, most relevant type and location):

- i. Underground mine – face
- ii. Underground mine – non-face
- iii. Underground mine – surface
- iv. Aboveground mine

1.4 Reason for health assessment

(mark only one of (a) – (d))

(a) Person to be employed is:

(mark either i, or all of ii-iv that apply)

- i. New entrant to coal mining industry
 - ii. Commencing work in a different type of position
 - iii. Commencing work at a new mine (may also be commencing a different type of position)
 - iv. Commencing work for a new employer (may also be commencing a different type of position or at a new mine)
- (b) AMA considers the assessment is necessary after being given a notice by the employer under section 49(3)
- (c) Periodic health assessment of coal mine worker is required
- (d) Subsequent assessment (review) of coal mine worker is required

² SEG guideline available at: www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/977498/similar-exposure-groups.pdf

1.5 Specific coal mine worker position requirements or hazard exposures

- (a) The coal mine worker is required to do the following:
(Employer to mark all that apply)
- i. Operate heavy mobile equipment
 - ii. Work around heavy mobile equipment
 - iii. Work in an underground mine
 - iv. Work in wet or muddy conditions
 - v. Work in areas with uneven ground conditions
 - vi. Work at heights
 - vii. Work in confined spaces
 - viii. Ascend/descend ladders
 - ix. Perform heavy manual handling
 - x. Self-escape in an emergency situation
 - xi. Use colour vision to perform job safely
- (b) Coal mine worker is, or may be, required to wear or use the following from time to time, depending on conditions *(mark all that apply)*
- i. Personal protective equipment (e.g. safety helmet, safety glasses, hearing protection, long sleeve shirt and trousers, safety footwear)
 - ii. Respiratory protective equipment (e.g. respirators, self-rescue breathing device for underground workers)
- (c) Coal mine worker may potentially be exposed to *(mark all that apply)*
- i. Dust
 - a. Coal dust
 - b. Other dust (including dust from silica bearing rock)
 - c. Asbestos containing materials
 - d. Diesel exhaust
 - e. Welding fume
 - f. Noise greater than 85 decibels and/or a peak of 140dB
 - g. Whole body vibration (e.g. truck drivers)
 - h. Hand arm vibration (e.g. machine operators)
- None apply
- None apply
- None apply

- i. Heat and/or humidity
- ii. Chemicals
 - j. Oils, greases
 - k. Solvents
 - l. Phenols
 - m. Isocyanates
 - n. Acids
 - o. Alkalis
 - p. Cement, grout, stone dust
 - q. Detergents, hand cleaners

1.6 Requirement for chest x-ray examinations (mark only one)

- (a) First or baseline chest x-ray (*new entrant to coal mining industry*)
- (b) Periodic chest x-ray (*existing coal mine worker, required at least every 5 years, or lesser period as determined by AMA*)