

NOTICE TO ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

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NWT ELECTRICAL PROTECTION ACT AS IT PERTAINS TO NWT MINES

Inspection Services of Asset Management Division, Public Works and Services, GNWT are mandated to inspect electrical installations, elevating devices, boilers/pressure vessels, natural gas and propane gas throughout the Northwest Territories. This includes Mines as defined in the NWT Mine Safety Act.

The Mine Safety Act states a "mine" includes buildings and shelters used in connection with a mine, other than bunkhouses, cookhouses and related residential facilities

The NWT Electrical Protection Act does not apply to the installation or use of electrical equipment in a mine as defined by the Mine Health and Safety Act. However, it does include bunkhouses, cook houses and related residential facilities.

Please review Section 2 of the Electrical Protection Act pertaining to NWT mines.

Please be advised that all electrical inspections at camps *on the winter road to any mine* are the responsibility of The Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission (WSCC) which administers the *Mine Health and Safety Acts*.