



Crane Operators in BC Mines: June 1st Certification Deadline

The revised *Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in British Columbia* includes new requirements:

Reg 4.19.01

1. On or before June 1, 2018 operators of mobile cranes, boom trucks, folding boom and tower cranes **performing critical lifts* shall have a valid crane operator certification** issued by a certifying agency acceptable to the chief inspector.
2. On or before June 1, 2018, the manager shall ensure that workers performing occasional hoisting operations using mobile cranes, boom trucks, folding boom and tower cranes with a rated capacity equal to or greater than five tons or with a boom length of 25 feet or greater at a mine site are **certified to Level D** or equivalent of the British Columbia Crane Safety Association.

Reg. 4.12.10

The Code also requires all personnel rigging loads to: “be conducted by, or under the supervision of, qualified persons who are familiar with all aspects of the work and with the proper signals”.

* Critical lifts include:

- Lifting of personnel
- Over or between high voltage lines
- More than 90% of the crane’s capacity at 50-100% of the maximum radius
- Two crane lifts that exceed 75% of the capacity of one of the cranes
- Three or more powered hoisting devices
- Submerged load
- Centre of gravity or length of sling leg changes during the lift

Fulford Certification delivers the Level D crane operator certification in British Columbia as well as the crane operator certifications for all Non-ITA classifications of boom trucks, mobile crane and self-erect tower cranes. Fulford also offers two levels of rigger certification. Please contact us at 1-888-952-6033.