



2026 PA SHOT-FIRER CERTIFICATION TESTING

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UNDERGROUND MINE BLASTING AWARENESS PROGRAM

This program is intended to provide basic knowledge of Pennsylvania and MSHA blasting standards, safe blasting practices, and insight into the Bureau's Shot-Firer Certification Program. This program is not a prerequisite to the Shot-Firers Certification, but it will be of great benefit to persons applying for certification.

Where:	DEP New Stanton Office, 131 Broadview Road, New Stanton, PA 15672	
When:	April 27 and 28, 2026	October 26 and 27, 2026
Time:	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

BITUMINOUS UNDERGROUND SHOT-FIRER CERTIFICATION

Certification dates will be scheduled the day(s) following the Blasting Awareness class.

Requirements:	Complete, notarized Application for Shot-Firer's Certification Possess a valid Pennsylvania Miner Certificate Or Possess a valid Pennsylvania Mine Officials' certificate for either mine foreman, assistant mine foreman or mine examiner Or Provide evidence of having attended a Mine Safety or MSHA-approved gas detection training course
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Individuals wishing to register for certification and/or awareness training should contact the Bureau of Mine Safety as soon as possible at RA-EPBMSREG@pa.gov or by calling the Bureau of Mine Safety at 724.404.3139. **If registering by email, please show 'BLASTING' and the 'class date' in the 'subject' line.** The e-mail message must include the name of applicant(s), home address, a contact phone number, and email address.