

permittee every month to the Agent of Dominion Lands within whose district the location is situated, showing the quantity of coal mined, and payment shall at the same time be made of the royalty thereon at the following rates—namely, twenty cents per ton for anthracite coal, and fifteen cents per ton for bituminous coal, and ten cents per ton for lignite coal. Even if no coal has been mined during any one month, the permittee shall send in a return to that effect.

A declaration as to the truth of the return shall be made before a Justice of the Peace, a Commissioner, or an Agent of Dominion Lands, but if the location is not situated within a radius of five miles of the place where such declaration can be taken, it will be sufficient if the permittee sends in an interim return of the coal mined during the month and pays the royalty thereon. In such case, the permittee shall every three months make a declaration before a Justice of the Peace, a Commissioner, or an Agent of Dominion Lands as to the accuracy of such returns for the next preceding period of three months and send it to the Agent of Dominion Lands.

11. A permit may, in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior, be renewed from year to year so long as the land described therein is vested in the Crown, provided the permittee has complied with all the requirements of these Regulations, and is operating his mine to the satisfaction of the Minister.

If at any time during the period the permit is in force the permittee desires to cease operations on his claim, he may do so on making to the Agent of Dominion Lands a return of all coal mined between the date of his last return and the date upon which he ceased operations, paying the amount for royalty and ground rent, and returning the permit issued to him.

12. The permit while it remains in force shall give to the permittee sole and undisputed possession of the location therein described. In case the applicant for a permit is the owner of the surface rights of the location, no ground rent therefor shall be charged. If the surface of the location is not the property of the Crown, and the permittee desires an easement to the mine, it will be necessary for him to acquire it in accordance with the provisions in that behalf of the Regulations for the disposal of coal lands approved by Orders in Council of the 17th September, 1889, and the 9th of July, 1892.

13. The permit shall be returned to the Agent on the date specified therein.

14. No permit shall be issued to mine coal on lands which are not situated on lands within territory designated from time to time by the Minister of the Interior as a Coal Mining District for the purposes of these Regulations.

15. If a permittee fails to comply with the requirements of any of the provisions of these Regulations, the permit may be forfeited by the Minister of the Interior.