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Mobile District Safety and Occupational Health Office
LIGHTING

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The 15 September 2008 Safety Manual (yellow book) is now in effect for most new contracts and government operations. Please note the requirements for lighting as stated below.

TABLE 7-1

MINIMUM LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS

Facility or function	Illuminance – lx (lm/ft ²)
Accessways	
- general indoor	55 (5)
- general outdoor	33 (3)
- exitways, walkways, ladders, stairs	110 (10)
Administrative areas (offices, drafting and meeting rooms, etc.)	540 (50)
Chemical laboratories	540 (50)
Construction areas	
- general indoor	55 (5)
- general outdoor	33 (3)
- tunnels and general underground work areas (minimum 110 lx required at tunnel and shaft heading during drilling, mucking, and scaling)	55 (5)
Conveyor routes	110 (10)
Docks and loading platforms	33 (3)
Elevators, freight and passenger	215 (20)
First-aid stations and infirmaries	325 (30)
Maintenance/operating areas/shops	
- vehicle maintenance shop	325 (30)
- carpentry shop	110 (10)
- outdoors field maintenance area	55 (5)
- refueling area, outdoors	55 (5)
- shops, fine detail work	540 (50)
- shops, medium detail work	325 (30)
- welding shop	325 (30)
Mechanical/electrical equipment rooms	110 (10)
Parking areas	33 (3)
Toilets, wash, and dressing rooms	110 (10)
Visitor areas	215 (20)
Warehouses and storage rooms/areas	
- indoor stockroom, active/bulk storage	110 (10)
- indoor stockroom, inactive	55 (5)
- indoor rack storage	270 (25)
- outdoor storage	33 (3)
Work areas – general (not listed above)	325 (30)