

# ACT RESPONSIBLY: STAY OUT-STAY ALIVE

## MINES AND QUARRIES ARE NOT PLAYGROUNDS

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 1

#### BE TRUSTWORTHY

Consider the wishes of your parents and stay out of the mine. These sites contain numerous hazards.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 2

#### BE SMART

Inform your family about hazards such as cave-ins, bad (unsafe) air, rotten timbers or winzes. Encourage them to stay out of the mine.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 3

#### BE RESPONSIBLE

Don't go in the mine. This will prevent becoming lost, encountering dangerous animals, drinking toxic water or being exposed to radiation.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 4

#### BE LAW-ABIDING

Consider the law. Point out posted signs and encourage family members and others to stay off private property.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 5

#### BE A LEADER

Persuade friends to stay out of the water. Quarry walls can be unstable, water can be extremely cold and objects below the water's surface can be dangerous.

#### SAFETY SITUATION 1

Your parents give you permission to explore the local forest, but ask you to avoid doing anything risky. You come across a mining operation that has been abandoned. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 2

During a family camping trip you come upon a mine opening. The mine looks like it would be a fun adventure. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 3

Your friends tell you about the fun they had exploring an idled mine site and want you to go with them to explore the mine. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 4

Your family decides to picnic at an off-the-road site. Upon entering the area you notice a "NO TRESPASSING" sign. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 5

You're on a hike and come across an old quarry that is filled with water. Your friends try to entice you to go swimming. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 6

While on a youth camping trip friends tell you about an active mine nearby. They think it would be a great adventure. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 7

Your friends try to persuade you to explore an underground abandoned mine. They tell you, "nothing is going to happen, come on!" What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 8

While at your usual recreational area your friends suggest that everyone ride their ATVs into an area that is unfamiliar. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 9

During an afternoon bicycle ride you come across an abandoned mine site. The site is filled with old buildings and rusted equipment. What should you do?

#### SAFETY SITUATION 10

While on a nature walk you notice an old mining site that contains numerous old boxes marked "EXPLOSIVES." What should you do?

#### INTRODUCTION

Abandoned, active and idled mines and quarries are dangerous. These sites pose serious and potentially life-threatening situations for anyone who ventures near them. To avoid becoming a victim, you should develop, apply, and practice common safety rules and a wide-range of leadership principles. Be aware of your surroundings, obey local laws and respect the environment. Be a responsible citizen and you will ensure your safety and the safety of others.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 6

#### BE RESPECTFUL

Stay off private property to avoid injury from moving equipment, heavy mining machinery or other potential hazards.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 7

#### BE DISCIPLINED

Don't go in the mine. Exercise self-discipline and refuse to participate in unsafe or life-threatening activities.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 8

#### BE ALERT

Enter unfamiliar areas with caution. Mine shafts, steep quarry walls or other dangers may be present.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 9

#### BE SAFE

Avoid exploring these sites. Accidents on mining sites can lead to cuts, broken bones or death.

### LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLE 10

#### BE CAREFUL

Don't touch! Avoid injury by leaving these items alone. Report hazards to the proper authorities.

DEVELOPING AND APPLYING SAFETY PRACTICES AND LEADERSHIP PRINCIPLES