

**WAC 296-52-67235 Firing the blast.** (1) **Employee evacuation.** The blaster must make sure all employees are out of the blast area before firing a blast.

(2) **Guarding entrances.** All entrances:

(a) Leading into the blasting area must be carefully guarded.

(b) To any working place where a drift, raise, or other opening is about to hole through must be carefully guarded.

(3) **Warning signals.** A warning must be given before firing an underground blast. See Table T-1 for signaling requirements.

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**TABLE T-1**

<b>WARNING SIGNAL</b>	A 1 minute series of long blasts 5 minutes prior to blast signal.
<b>BLAST SIGNAL</b>	A series of short blasts 1 minute prior to the shot.
<b>ALL CLEAR SIGNAL</b>	A prolonged blast following the inspection of the blast.

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