

South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation  
Division of Labor  
Office of Occupational Safety and Health  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

**OSH Program Directive Number 77-1926.902-1**

**Subject:** Article VII, Section 1926.902 (d) Proposed Modifications to Explosives and Blasting Agents and Surface Transportation of Explosives.

**Standard:** Article VII, Section 1926.902 (d), Rules and Regulations, Commissioner of Labor, State of South Carolina.

**Cross Reference to Federal Standards:** 29 CFR 1926.902 (d).

**Background:** Questions have arisen concerning the simultaneous transportation of blasting caps with other explosives as delineated in Article VII, Section 1926.902 (d). Conflicts with explosives regulations for Federal agencies other than Federal OSHA have been noted.

A proposal to revise Federal Regulation 29 CFR 1926.902 (d) is being formulated, by Federal OSHA, that will permit, under certain conditions, the simultaneous transportation of blasting caps with other explosives on the same vehicle. This is presently permitted by the U.S. Department of Transportation in 49 CFR 177.835 (g) which outlines the controlled conditions necessary to insure safety. Compliance with 49 CFR 177.835 (g) provides protection equal to or greater than that provided by Section 1926.902 (d).

**Interpretation:** Pending final approval of the proposed changes in the standards, any violation of the requirements of Article VII, Section 1926.902 (d) which is inconsistent with the U.S. Department of Transportation 49 CFR 177.835 (g) shall be cited as de minimis, provided that the employer is in compliance with 49 CFR 177.835 (g).

**Effective Date:** This instruction is effective upon receipt and will remain in effect until cancelled or superseded by amendment to the Rules and Regulations.

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