



# MINERAL EXPLORATION

Prior Notification Application to Carry Out Mineral Exploration and Associated Development.

## Town and Country Planning Act 1990

*This form should be completed for proposals involving mineral exploration (Excluding Oil or Gas). Please read the accompanying guidance notes over the page before completing these questions.*

**A2.1** Mineral(s) sought .....

**A2.2** Exploration site area ..... ha

**A2.3** (i) Duration of operations.....Months.....Days

(ii) Hours of working

	Time of Day	Days of Week
Operation Periods		

**A2.4** (i) Do the methods of exploration involve:

- (a) boreholes or other excavations      YES/NO      If yes, complete (ii) below  
 (b) seismic methods?      YES/NO      If yes, complete (iii) and (iv) below

(ii) If exploration involves boreholes or other excavations, please state:  
 number ..... depth.....

(iii) If exploration involves seismic methods, state the route of the survey:

(iv) If explosive charge will be used, state:

depth of charge ..... maximum instantaneous charge .....  
 ground vibrations expected at the ..... proposed maximum and average  
 nearest affected properties ..... number of blasts per day .....

(v) Summarise measures to make the site safe after cessation of operations

**A2.5** State restoration proposals.

## Guidance notes for Mineral Exploration

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*This form is for mineral operations that are exempt from Planning Permission in Part 22 of the General Permitted Development Order, 1995.*

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**A2.1** In most cases the minerals type will be known and should be stated. Where the minerals being sought are not known, applicants should state the purpose of operations being undertaken.

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**A2.2** This should give an indication of the site area (ha) to be explored.

Applicants should ensure that this is outlined in red on a plan.

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**A2.3** Applicants should state the length of working in months and/or days the time of day when exploration works will occur.

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- A2.4**
- (i) To be completed by all applicants for mineral exploration.
  - (ii) To be completed by applicants whose work involve use of boreholes or other excavations.
  - (iii)-(iv) To be completed by applicants whose works involve use of seismic methods.
  - (vi) Applicants should indicate the measures they intend adopting to make the site safe after cessation of exploration using boreholes or seismic methods (if appropriate).
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**A2.5** Applicants should specify any restoration proposals they intend to adopt after the cessation of exploration.

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