Persons entering underground coal mines shall use only permissible electric lamps approved by MSHA for portable illumination.

Non-approved cap lamps (including cordless) may look like approved cap lamps, and advertisements may imply that they are approved by MSHA. Each cap lamp taken into an underground coal mine must be MSHA approved.

Coal mine operators are responsible for ensuring that every cap lamp entering an underground mine is MSHA Approved. All MSHA approved cap lamps must have an MSHA approval marking on each unit. The marking includes the approval number.

Contact MSHA personnel if you are uncertain that a cap lamp is MSHA approved. Lists of Approved Equipment are available on the internet at [http://www.MSHA.gov/TECHSUPP/ACC/lists.htm](http://www.MSHA.gov/TECHSUPP/ACC/lists.htm) or contact the Approval and Certification Center at 304.547.0400.