

Presplitting operation shall consist of establishing a free surface in rock by the controlled use of explosives prior to primary blasting of the main excavation. The rock cut face formed shall be at a design slope of 0.25 on 1.0 unless noted otherwise on typical sections. The presplit holes shall follow the design slope lines and shall be spaced at intervals of not more than 48 inches. Except for the above limitation, the procedures followed shall be as recommended by a reliable powder company. This work shall be considered incidental to Class 12 excavation.