



Need to Know- Fire Extinguishers



FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

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Remember....

- Your company's site specific policies/procedures in the event of a fire.
- The types of fires could you have (flammable liquid, combustible solids, electrical, etc.)
- The types of fire extinguishers available onsite.
 - Fire Extinguishers should be appropriately matched to work environment
- The capabilities and limitations of those extinguishers
- If you have the slightest doubt about your ability to fight a fire....
EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY!
- PASS
 - **"P"ULL...** Pull the pin. This will also break the tamper seal.
 - **"A"IM...** Aim low, pointing the extinguisher nozzle (or its horn or hose) at the base of the fire. (**Note:** Do not touch the plastic discharge horn on CO₂ extinguishers, it gets very cold and may damage skin.)
 - **"S"QUEEZE...** Squeeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent
 - **"S"WEEP...** Sweep from side to side at the base of the fire until it appears to be out. If it re-ignites repeat steps 2-4