

FIRE EXTINGUISHER MONTHLY INSPECTION CHECK LIST

THINGS TO LOOK FOR...

Are your fire extinguishers visible? Accessible? Unobstructed? In a designated location that all workers know where to find it? Take a tour of your building to make sure you meet the state requirements. Remember to train all new personnel on use of and locations of the extinguishers in the building.

Inspect your extinguisher for obvious physical damage. Any signs of leakage, corrosion or a clogged nozzle? Is the locking pin in place? And the tamper seal unbroken? Any signs of damage? Repair or replacement may be necessary and should be scheduled today.

Have you lifted the extinguisher and verified if it is still full? Also, confirm the pressure gauge or indicator is in the operating range or position.

Make sure your operating instructions on the nameplate are legible and facing outward for view. In an emergency, every second counts.

Check the last date on the service tag. In the past twelve months, has a licensed fire extinguisher maintenance contractor inspected the extinguisher?

Now that you have done all this, initial and date the back of the tag. This should be done on a monthly basis.



Reminder of the types of extinguishers: A-B-C Fire extinguishers can be used on all types of fires and are the most common. Such as:

Class A: ordinary combustible materials, such as cloth, paper, wood, etc.

Class B: Flammable liquids such as kerosene, gas, etc.

Class C: energized electrical circuits, (e.g., electronic motors, electrical wiring, etc.)

Other types of extinguishers work on various fires. Find out which kind you need.