

## Fire Extinguishers

It is a relatively small item, but very effective tool when used correctly and the investment in making sure they are in working condition, as well as easily accessible, will pay off in the long run if a small fire were to happen on your premises.

The most common type is **A-B-C** Fire extinguishers can be used on all types of fires and will work on combustible materials, electrical and flammable liquids. You should check on what your local code requirements are in regards to number to have on hand as well as placement height.

If you are ever put in a situation to have to use a fire extinguisher, the **P.A.S.S.** system is an effective way to take care of a small fire. **P**-pulling the pin. **A**-aim at the base of the fire. **S**-squeeze the handle. **S**-sweep side to side. For a short video, click [here](#).

Please make sure you include this as part of your new hire orientation. We hope that you will never be in the position to have to use a fire extinguisher, but it is good to be prepared just in case!

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