

Weekly Safety Tip

PASSword for Fire Safety



Pull



Aim



Squeeze



Sweep

Portable fire extinguishers can help save lives and reduce property damage from small fires. In case of a fire, first sound the alarm or call 911. Remember – You should never attempt to extinguish any fire if there is a threat to your personal safety. If the fire is small and there is no heavy smoke present *AND* you have an escape exit available, it may be safe to use an appropriate extinguisher for that class of fire.

Portable fire extinguishers only have a limited time of operation between 8 to 15 seconds so it is very important that you have the training and knowledge on how to use it effectively. When using a fire extinguisher be sure to hold the unit upright and use the following “PASS” procedure:

P – Pull the pin located on the extinguisher’s handle

A – Aim the extinguisher nozzle toward the base of the flames.

S – Squeeze or press the handle

S – Sweep from side to side at the base of the fire until it is out.

For more information about fire safety check out the links below:

 [Quick Fire Safety Guide](#)

 [Fire Safety Guidelines](#)

 [PASS Fire Safety](#)