

Instructions on

How to Use a Portable Fire Extinguisher

When fighting a fire with portable fire extinguisher, remember the word PASS:

1. **PULL the pin:** The pin releases a locking mechanism and will allow you to discharge the extinguisher. Some models require releasing a lock-latch, pressing the lever, or another first step.
2. **AIM low:** Point the FE's nozzle, hose, or horn at the base of the fire. This is important – in order to put out the fire, you must extinguish the fuel.
3. **SQUEEZE the handle:** This releases the extinguisher agent. If the handle is released, the discharge will spot.
4. **SWEEP from side to side:** Sweep the extinguisher back end front, spraying at the base of the fire and working toward the centre until the fire appear to be out. Operate the extinguisher from a safe distance. Remember: aim at the base of the fire, not at the flames!!!

Do not expose yourself to extreme heat by standing too close to the flames. Avoid direct exposure to smoke as much as possible. Do not try to fight a fire if you cannot see clearly or if your escape route is in danger. Leave as quickly as possible. Remember: your primary responsibility is to protect the children in your care. Ensure that the children are safely out of the building and the fire department has been called.

DO NOT RE-ENTER A BURNING BUILDING!

The Fire Extinguisher is located on the wall beside at the entrance and the entrance/exit door.