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How to Use a Fire Extinguisher

A practical, step-by-step guide for every new team member.

OVERVIEW

What you'll learn today

Four essentials every team member should know before an emergency happens.

1

Know your extinguisher

The one ABC dry-powder unit and what it fights.

2

Read the fire

The five classes of fire and what fuels them.

3

Decide fast

When to tackle a fire — and when to get out.

4

Use P.A.S.S.

The simple four-step technique to put it out.

Know the five classes of fire



Class A

Ordinary solids

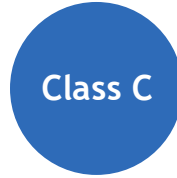
Wood, paper, cloth,
trash, most plastics



Class B

Flammable liquids

Petrol, oil, grease,
solvents, paint



Class C

Electrical

Live wiring, motors,
appliances, chargers



Class K

Cooking media

Cooking oils and fats in
kitchens

Our ABC dry-powder unit handles Classes A, B and C — never use it on a Class K cooking-oil fire.

STEP 2 • YOUR EQUIPMENT

Your extinguisher: ABC dry powder



One unit — three classes of fire

Class A — Ordinary solids

Wood, paper, cloth and textiles

Class B — Flammable liquids

Petrol, oil, solvents and paint

Class C — Live electrical

Wiring, motors and appliances

Not for Class K cooking-oil fires

Never use it on a fryer — shut off the heat and get out.

STEP 3 • DECIDE FAST

Before you act: stop and assess

Your safety comes first. Only fight a fire when every green point is true.

Safe to tackle when

- ✓ The alarm is raised and others are leaving
- ✓ It's small — no bigger than a wastebasket
- ✓ You have a clear exit at your back
- ✓ You have the right extinguisher
- ✓ The room is not filling with smoke

Get out now when

- ✗ The fire is spreading or growing
- ✗ There is heavy or toxic smoke
- ✗ Your escape route could be cut off
- ✗ You're unsure which extinguisher to use
- ✗ Your instinct tells you to leave

STEP 4 • PUT IT OUT

The P.A.S.S. technique



Stand back 6–8 feet and keep your exit behind you.

P

Pull

Pull the pin to break the tamper seal.

A

Aim

Aim low, at the base of the flames — not the top.

S

Squeeze

Squeeze the handle to release the agent.

S

Sweep

Sweep side to side until the fire is fully out.

SAFETY FIRST

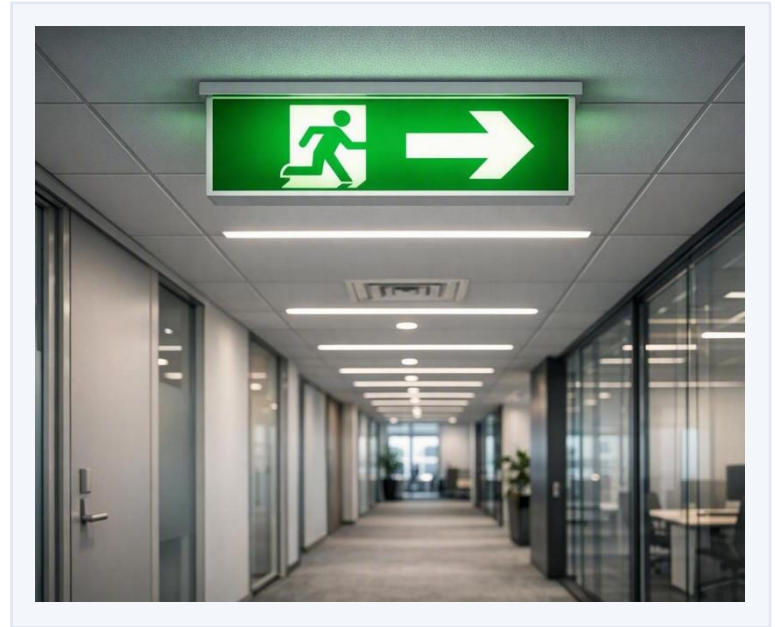
When to walk away

Leave the fire and evacuate if:

- ✗ It's bigger than a small bin or still growing
- ✗ Smoke is filling the room
- ✗ Your exit could be blocked
- ✗ You don't have the right extinguisher

Then, as you leave:

- Raise the alarm and call emergency services
- Close doors behind you; use stairs, not lifts
- Go straight to your assembly point



No fire is worth your life — when in doubt, get out.

RECAP

Remember the essentials

Six habits that keep you and your team safe.



Know where your nearest extinguisher is



Use it on Class A, B or C fires only



Raise the alarm before you tackle anything



Follow P.A.S.S. – aim at the base



Always keep a clear exit behind you



When in doubt, get out

STAY READY

Stay ready. Stay safe.

Know your nearest extinguisher and exits before you ever need them.

In an emergency: raise the alarm first, then call your local emergency number.