



Ordinary Combustibles



Flammable Liquids



Electrical Equipment



Combustible Metals



Fire Extinguishers
need to be mounted
at least 48 inches
off the ground

Clackamas County Fire District # 1 Prevention Office



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How to inspect your fire extinguisher.



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What Type Can I Inspect?

The only type of fire extinguisher that can be self inspected are type A, B, C Dry Chemical Fire Extinguishers with a pressure gauge.

Pressurized water, carbon dioxide and Halon extinguishers must be serviced by a qualified technician annually.



Extinguisher Inspection....

Inspection is a monthly “quick-check” that an extinguisher is available and will operate. This means ensuring that the extinguisher is in its designated place, that it has not been used or tampered with, and that there are no obvious signs of physical damage.

Deficiencies....

When an inspection of a extinguisher reveals a deficiency in any of the conditions listed, corrective action needs to be taken by a qualified technician.

Frequency....

Extinguishers must be inspected when initially placed in service, and monthly thereafter. A qualified technician must service the dry chemical extinguisher every six years. Most extinguishers with plastic control heads are considered non-serviceable and must be discarded after 12 years.

How....

Periodic inspections should include a check of the following:

1. Located in a designated place.
2. No obstruction to access or visibility.
3. Operating instructions on name plate legible and facing outward.
4. Seals and tamper indicators are not broken or missing.
5. Examine for obvious physical damage, corrosion, leakage, or clogged nozzle.
6. Pressure gauge reading full.
7. Tip extinguisher back and forth to ensure the extinguishing powder has not compacted.



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Date of Last:

New _____ Hydro _____

6 Year or /Refilled _____

Annual Inspection _____

Date/Initial

Jan ___/___ July ___/___

Feb ___/___ Aug ___/___

Mar ___/___ Sept ___/___

Apr ___/___ Oct ___/___

May ___/___ Nov ___/___

June ___/___ Dec ___/___

Record Keeping....

A record of monthly inspections should be kept on the premise. Once each year the name of the person performing the inspection should be recorded on a tag affixed to the extinguisher.

Questions....

If you have any questions about inspecting your fire extinguisher, please call 503-742-2660.