

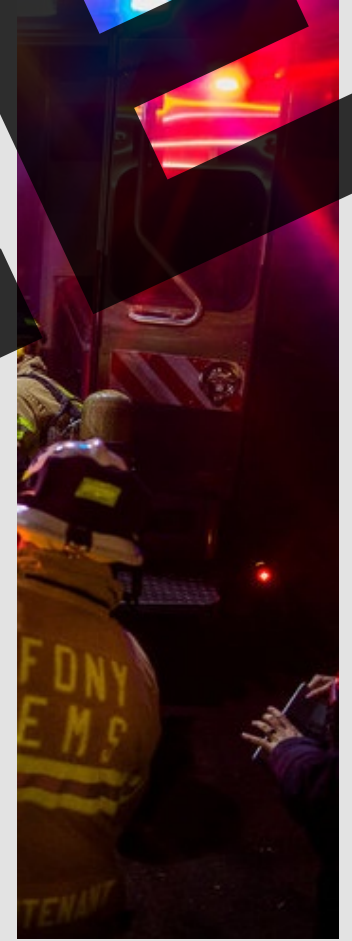
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Welcome to the Hard Hat Training Series. Today, you will learn about safety principles as they relate to fire extinguishers. In this training, we will strive to provide information that will increase your knowledge and help to make you an expert with fire extinguishers.

In a recent year, there were an estimated 1,300,000 fires that killed 3,000 people. Many of these fatalities could have been avoided by properly training employees how to react to fires. Extinguishers are the first line of defense for fires and with proper training, can be effective at stopping them. In fact, properly trained people extinguish eighty percent of fires before they become deadly.



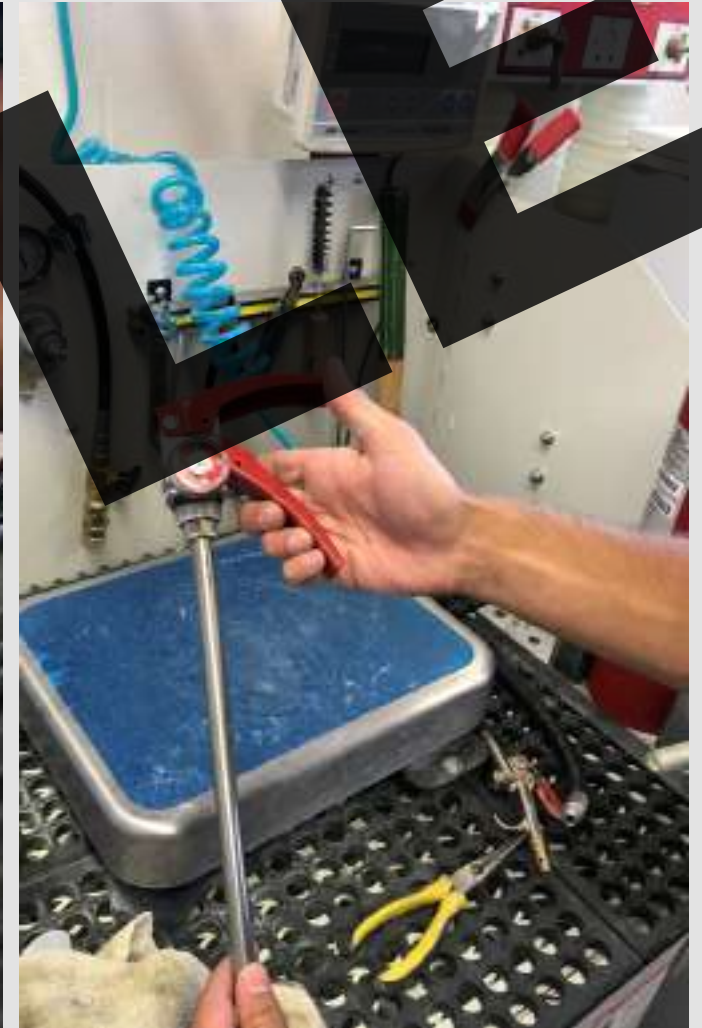
Despite extinguishers putting out eighty percent of fires, extinguisher maintenance and training are often overlooked in the workplace. Many worksites have extinguishers that are past due for maintenance and employees that are not trained, leaving employees in danger of fire-related injuries.



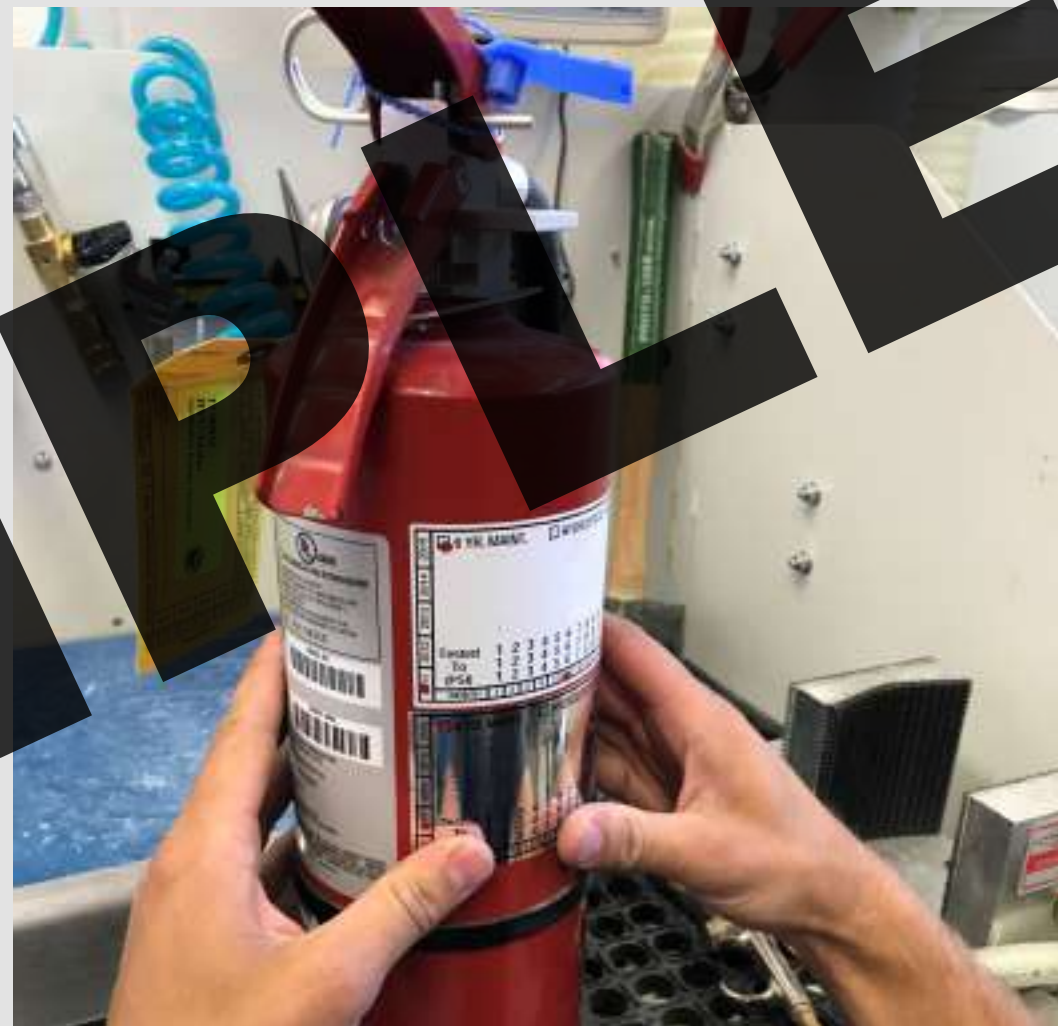
The goal today is to focus on general safety principles and provide information that will increase your recognition of potential hazards, improve your knowledge of safe operations, and keep you and those around you safe.



We will cover the different parts of an extinguisher, emphasizing key features and how they function.



We will discuss proper extinguisher maintenance, and how to ensure your extinguisher is ready to use.





We will cover how to safely operate extinguishers, and what to do after you use them.

We will cover the different types of extinguishers and how they can be the most effective.



And finally, we will talk about common hazards associated with fire extinguishers.



At the completion of this training, you should be able operate fire extinguishers in a safe and efficient manner. Your employer, colleagues, and those whom you serve will be highly satisfied with your abilities and competence. Also, you will rarely, if ever, find yourself in a position of danger or helplessness.





STANDARDS

1910.157(d)(1): Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided.

1910.157(e)(1): The employer shall be responsible for the inspection, maintenance and testing of all portable fire extinguishers

1910.157(g)(1): The employer shall also provide an educational program to familiarize employees with the general principles of fire extinguisher use and the hazards involved with incipient stage fire fighting.

NFPA 10 Standards for portable extinguishers

OSHA Act of 1970, 5(a)(1): "each employer shall furnish to each of their employees...a place of employment which is free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious physical harm to his employees."

These are some of the main standards concerning fire extinguishers. Many states have additional standards, as do some industries. It is important for you to know or find out the specific laws for your area as well as your industry. We have provided these standards as a guide, but it is your responsibility to know all federal, local, and company rules that apply to your job site.

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