

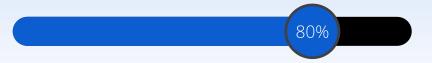
Toolbox Talk # 20 FIRE EXTINGUISHERS



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Key Points

- **1. Fire extinguishers are essential** on construction sites to control small fires before they spread.
- **2. Workers must know the location** of fire extinguishers and how to use them properly.
- **3. Different types of extinguishers** are required for various fire hazards, such as electrical or flammable liquid fires.
- **4. Regular inspections and maintenance** ensure fire extinguishers remain in working condition and comply with safety regulations.
- **5. Blocked or improperly stored** extinguishers can delay response times during emergencies.
- **6. Training workers** on fire extinguisher use improves emergency preparedness and reduces fire-related risks.
- **7. Using the wrong type** of extinguisher can worsen a fire, creating additional hazards.
- **8. Employers must follow OSHA** regulations to ensure all fire extinguishers are accessible, properly labeled, and regularly checked.



Top 5 Fire Extinguisher Hazards...

- 1. Blocked Extinguishers Obstructed access delays emergency response.
- 2. Wrong Type Used Using the wrong extinguisher worsens the fire.
- 3. Low Pressure Insufficient charge makes the extinguisher ineffective.
- 4. Lack of Training Improper use increases fire and injury risks.
- 5. Expired Equipment Old extinguishers may fail during emergencies.



- 1. Do I know where the nearest fire extinguisher is located?
- 2. Is the extinguisher the right type for potential fire hazards?
- 3. Has the extinguisher been inspected and is it fully charged?
- 4. Do I know how to use it safely in an emergency?



Summary

Fire extinguishers are critical for fire safety on construction sites. Workers should know extinguisher locations, types, and proper usage. Regular inspections ensure they are functional and accessible. Using the correct extinguisher and responding quickly can prevent small fires from becoming major hazards.

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OSHA requires fire extinguishers on construction sites to control small fires and protect workers. Regulations ensure proper placement, maintenance, and training to prevent fire-related hazards. Employers must ensure extinguishers are accessible, functional, and suitable for potential fire risks.

Key Fire Extinguisher Regulation 29 CFR 1926.150 - Fire Protection

This regulation mandates that fire extinguishers be regularly inspected, properly maintained, and easily accessible. Workers must receive training on their use to ensure quick and effective response in case of fire emergencies.







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