



ARCO SAFE TOOL BOX TALKS

Fire Extinguishers

1926 Subpart F, Fire Protection
& Prevention



Common materials such as paper, wood
or most other combustibles



Flammable liquids such as gasoline,
paint remover or grease



Electrical fires



Combustible metals usually
found in industry

HOW TO USE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER

Remember the Phrase **PASS**



Class:	Material Burned in Fire:	Extinguishing Agent for Fire:
A	Wood, paper, rubber, plastic	Water, Dry Chemicals
B	Flammable liquids, gases, greases	Carbon dioxide, dry chemicals
C	Electrical equipment, wiring, fuse boxes, circuit breakers, machinery	Carbon dioxide, dry chemicals
D	Combustible metals	Special techniques, do not use common extinguisher

Fire Extinguisher Use:

- Be sure and only attempt to use fire extinguishers on fires for which they are designed.
- Multi-Purpose fire extinguishers (ABC) will handle all A, B, and C fires. Be sure and read the label before use!
- When using a typical fire extinguisher, follow the “PASS” method:
 - Hold the extinguisher upright and:
 - Point
 - Aim
 - Squeeze
 - Sweep
- Be sure and AIM the stream directly at the base of the fire to put it out.
- If the fire is too big to be extinguished by a fire extinguisher don't waste time, sound the alarm and call for emergency help!