

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Results from a nationwide research study show that only one in three (**34%**) American households have more than one fire extinguisher. Having a fire extinguisher within reach can help to keep you and your family safe. Here are some tips:

- Only use your extinguisher after **making sure**:
 - all residents of the home have been evacuated
 - the fire department has been notified
 - there is a clear exit behind the person using the extinguisher
- Place a fire extinguisher **within easy reach** in rooms where fires are more likely to start such as the kitchen, living room and laundry room.
- Place a fire extinguisher in the bedroom for use in case you need to **create a path** to safety. Nearly half of all fatal fires occur during late night and early morning hours, when families are asleep.
- Choose a **multipurpose** extinguisher that is large enough to put out a small fire but not too heavy to handle.
- **Learn to use** a fire extinguisher properly.



How to use a Fire Extinguisher

Using a fire extinguisher is easy. Just remember the **PASS** system.



P Pull the pin.
Hold unit upright.



A Aim at the base
of the fire.



S Squeeze the
handle.



S Sweep from
side to side.

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