

Fire Extinguishers - Inspection

All fire extinguishers should be visually inspected at least monthly. When doing a visual inspection check for the following:

- **Accessibility:**
 - Identify if fire extinguishers are on site and aren't blocked/obstructed by equipment.
- **Physical State:**
 - Check if the extinguishers label is legible.
 - Inspect the cylinder for corrosion, dents, and other signs of damage.
 - Inspect for cracks in the hose or leaks in the nozzle.
 - Check if the locking pin is intact and is secured by an appropriate seal.
- **Check Pressure Gauge**
 - Gauge needle should be pointing in the direction of the green zone. If the gauge is in the red zone, the extinguisher is improperly charged and shall not be used.
- **Notice the Inspection Tag**
 - A valid yearly inspection tag should be located on the extinguisher. This tag is where you can record each month's inspection.



Only approved seals can be used to secure the locking pin

Things to Remember

- All fire extinguishers should be fully charged and meet 4A60BC requirements.
- The correct class of fire extinguisher should be chosen for each job:
 - A = Paper, Wood, Cloth
 - B = Fuel, Oil, Gases
 - C = Electrical
 - ABC (Most Common) = All three
- Fire extinguishers should be within 10 feet of torching work and a minimum of two fire extinguishers should be readily available.
- Fire extinguishers should be placed no closer than 10 feet from a propane tank.
- If a fire extinguisher has been partially discharged, it must be removed from the project site and re-charged.

