

Branford Fire Marshal's Office

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A Fire Extinguishers Guide

Fire extinguishers are required in certain occupancies by Connecticut State Fire Codes. During a fire emergency the first step is to call or send someone to call 911. If a fire extinguisher is readily available and you are confident in its use, take action to extinguish the fire if it is small enough to do so. Please do not delay in summoning emergency services as fires can double in size in mere minutes. Most fire extinguishers found in businesses and public places are of the ABC type and will be effective on most ordinary combustibles. When employing an extinguisher please remember these tips:

- ✓ **Pull** the pin in the extinguisher handle.
- ✓ **Aim** at the base of the flames.
- ✓ **Squeeze** the handle to activate the extinguisher.
- ✓ **Sweep** the extinguisher side to side until the fire goes out.



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