

MONTHLY and 6 AND 12 YEAR FIRE EXTINGUISHER SELF- INSPECTION CHECKLIST

MONTHLY

- Located in designated place?
- Pressure gauge reading or indicator in operable range or position?
- Safety seals and tamper indicators are not broken or missing?
- No obstruction to access or visibility? Operating instructions on name plates are legible and face outward.?
- No obvious physical damage or corrosion?
- Service tags in place?
- Date, sign, initial, the back of the tag.

6 AND 12 YEAR

- Is the Extinguisher within 6 years of manufacturer? (Normally located at the bottom of extinguisher)
- If past the first 6-years, has the Extinguisher been tested by an outside entity? (Desert Fire, metal tag located on top on Extinguisher)
- After the second 6 year interval, totaling 12 years, the Extinguisher shall have a 12-year hydrostatic testing.
- If the Extinguisher fails the 12-year hydrostatic test, it shall be replaced.

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MONTHLY FIRE EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION GUIDE



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INTRODUCTION

This Guide presents the step-by-step instructions for conducting the required monthly fire extinguisher inspections.

PROPER FIRE EXTINGUISHER LOCATION

Visually confirm that the fire extinguisher is on its hanger or in its cabinet. Check that the hanger is secured to the wall, or the cabinet door swings freely. Fire extinguishers should not be sitting on the floor, tables, file cabinets, etc.



NON-CODE COMPLIANCE

Confirm that the fire extinguisher is properly pressurized. (The yellow arrow is pointing into the green charged area.)



The one on the left is in the green area which is correct. The one on the right is under pressurized which is incorrect and should be replaced.

PULL PINS AND TAMPER SEALS

Confirm that the pull pin and the tamper seals on the fire extinguisher are in place and not bent or broken.



Tamper indicator and seals are not bent or broken. On the left fire extinguisher, so this fire extinguisher is in proper care and condition.

The right fire extinguisher is missing both the tamper seal and pin from the extinguisher which would make it no longer in good condition and should be replaced

OBSTRUCTION AND ORIENTATION

- Visually confirm that the fire extinguisher is not blocked or obstructed from view.
- **WARNING: Do not place any furniture or objects in front of the fire extinguisher.**
- Operating instructions on nameplates should be legible and face outward when mounted so ALL instructions can be read clearly.



The fire extinguisher on the left is in its correct location and is visible. The one on the right is obstructed and may be hard to locate.

PHYSICAL DAMAGE

Visually inspect the extinguisher for dents, leaks, rust, chemical deposits, or other signs of abuse/wear. If the extinguisher is damaged notify CCFD Prevention office.

Incorrect Fire extinguisher:



Extinguisher is damaged in any way or parts are missing.

Correct fire extinguisher:



A good extinguisher wouldn't have any dents, rust, leaks, etc.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER TRAINING

Free fire extinguisher training and presentations are available to all offices upon request.

