

USING FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

When using a fire extinguisher, it's important to follow these tips to stay as safe as possible



Always stand with your back to an exit



Stand several feet away from the fire, moving closer once the fire starts to diminish



If possible, have a second person there to back you up or call for help



Know how to operate a fire extinguisher before trying to use one during a fire

Remember the word **PASS** which stands for:

P-Pull the pin that unlocks the operating handle.
A-Aim the fire extinguisher low at the base of the fire.
S-Squeeze the lever on the extinguisher to discharge the agent.
S-Sweep the nozzle or extinguisher hose from side to side. Move slowly and carefully towards the fire, continuing to sweep the extinguisher back and forth at the base of the flames.

