

MONTHLY

UC SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

Poster of the Month

Practical Tips to Help You Keep Yourself, Your Co-workers and Your UC Campus Safe, Healthy and Secure

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TYPES OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS



The “A-B-C” fire extinguisher can be used on all fires. Other types of extinguishers work only on a certain class of fire.

	CLASS OF FIRE	TYPES OF EXTINGUISHERS TO USE
A	Ordinary combustible materials, such as wood, cloth, paper, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “A-B-C”• Pressurized water
B	Flammable liquids, such as oil, gasoline, kerosene, etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “A-B-C”• “B-C” dry chemical• Carbon dioxide
C	Presence of energized electrical circuits (e.g., electronic motors, electrical wiring, etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• “A-B-C”• “B-C” dry chemical• Carbon dioxide
D	Reactive metals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• D extinguishers <i>only</i>
K	Oils and fats	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• K (for kitchen)