

Oakland Mayor uses portable fire extinguisher

The Sacramento Bee (Oakland, CA)

April 13, 2018

OAKLAND, CA - The Mayor of Oakland was parking her car one morning, when she realized that the city's famous oak tree was on fire. She immediately ran inside City Hall, found two portable fire extinguishers, gave one to a security guard, and started spraying the fire. The duo was able to completely extinguish the fire before authorities arrived at the plaza. The tree, which has stood for over 100 years, was intentionally set on fire. The Mayor told the press that "As the mayor of Oakland, every day I have to put out fires, but today it was a literal one." [\[Read more\]](#)



"A little two-and-a-half-pound extinguisher can save your house."

- Richard Osterberg Jr.,
Chief, East Hampton, NY
Fire Department

Elementary school fire put out with extinguisher

WickedLocal (Saugus, MA)

April 19, 2018



Call fire department;
Announce fire/alert
others; Make sure
everyone is safe.



Defend
in place



Fire/smoke
alarm sounds



Suppression
system
activates



Sprinkler
system
activates



Fire



SAUGUS, MA - Two Oaklandvale Elementary School cafeteria workers were recently commended at a school committee meeting for their quick response to a kitchen fire. Earlier this month, an electrical fire started while the two women were preparing the day's meals. The women worked as a team to remove some nearby cardboard, notify school staff, and call the fire department. Additionally, they successfully used a portable fire extinguisher to put out the flames. No one was injured as a result of the fire and the cafeteria workers were able to finish preparing food for the school's students. [\[Read more\]](#)



"A sound fire safety strategy has to include portable extinguishers. They can extinguish fires during the incipient stage before they are large enough to trigger a sprinkler or other suppression system. This helps to protect against property damage and the buildup of dangerous smoke."

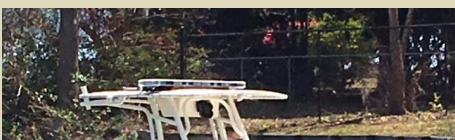
- Joe Pierce, Retired Deputy Chief
Dallas, Texas Fire Department

Boat fire halted by onboard extinguisher

Live 5 News (Berkeley County, SC)

February 25, 2018

BERKELEY COUNTY, SC - The Marine Patrol Unit from the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office recently responded to a report of a boater in distress on Lake Moultrie. Deputies later posted on their Facebook page with updates on the rescue. They stated that once they had located the boat, they found that the operator had been able to put out the fire using an onboard portable extinguisher. The fire was contained to the boat's engine compartment and was later towed back to shore. [\[Read more\]](#)





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