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NEW INTERACTIVE FIRE SAFETY MAP SHOWS FIRE EXTINGUISHER REQUIREMENTS BY STATE

FireExtinguishersSaveLives.org Map also Highlights State Fire Codes

CLEVELAND, Ohio (March 6, 2019) – A new interactive map provides a comprehensive look at fire safety requirements by state in the U.S., including whether fire extinguishers are required throughout most building occupancies. The map, which can be found at FireExtinguishersSaveLives.org/Map, also highlights state fire codes and any enhancements states have made to the fire code.

FireExtinguishersSaveLives.org was developed by the Government Relations Committee of the Fire Equipment Manufacturers’ Association, which works with states to improve fire safety requirements.

“Every state’s fire code has a section on fire extinguisher requirements, which may vary greatly from one state to the next,” said Dennis Kennedy, chair of the Fire Equipment Manufacturers’ Association’s Government Relations Committee. “The interactive map on FireExtinguishersSaveLives.org not only identifies what each state’s fire code is based on, but distinguishes ‘Strong States’, which require extinguishers throughout most occupancies, from ‘Weak States’, which have limited extinguisher requirements by amending model code.”

In addition to the interactive fire safety map, FireExtinguishersSaveLives.org features additional fire safety resources, including:

- Curated news stories from around the country that spotlight successful fire extinguisher uses
- Free educational resources on fire safety from the Fire Equipment Manufacturers’ Association
- Information on how to properly use a fire extinguisher
- Fire extinguisher statistics and links to helpful videos

FireExtinguishersSaveLives.org is sponsored by multiple fire safety organizations, including the National Association of Fire Equipment Distributors, the National Association of State Fire Marshalls, and Fire is Everyone’s Fight, a national initiative of the U.S. Fire Administration.

About the Fire Equipment Manufacturers’ Association

The Fire Equipment Manufacturers’ Association is a more than 60-year-old non-profit trade association dedicated to saving lives and protecting property by providing education of a balanced fire protection design. For additional information, including videos, interactive questionnaires and training websites about fire safety and protection, visit www.femalifesafety.org or call 216-241-7333. For a complete listing of member companies, visit the Member Profiles page of the association’s website at www.femalifesafety.org/membership.html.

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