

Fire in a Long John Silver's kitchen contained by fire extinguisher

Banner Graphic (Greencastle, IN)

November 28, 2016

GREENCASTLE, IN - The Greencastle Fire Department was called to respond to a structure fire at the town's Long John Silver's. The fire started in the restaurant's kitchen near the fryer area. Restaurant employees acted quickly and put out the grease fire using a portable fire extinguisher. When the fire crews arrived on the scene, the building had been evacuated and the fire was completely extinguished. No damage or injuries were reported by the fire department. [\[Read more\]](#)



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

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

Electrical fire at elementary school stopped with fire extinguisher

Springfield News-Leader (Springfield, MO)

December 5, 2016

FAIR GROVE, MO- Students at the Fair Grove elementary school had to be evacuated after an electric fire in one of the bathrooms filled the school with smoke. The teacher that discovered the fire, first notified the administration, and then used a portable fire extinguisher to put out the flames. Upon



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
department
responds

arrival, the fire department made sure the fire would not reignite, and then helped clear smoke from the school. The fire was started by a fan in the bathroom that shorted out. [\[Read more\]](#)



Suspicious fire put out using extinguisher

The Woodstock Independent (Woodstock, IL)

November 13, 2016

WOODSTOCK, IL- Woodstock fire authorities labeled a small fire at the city's Dollar General as suspicious. Luckily, the store's employees acted quickly by evacuating the store, calling the fire department, and using a portable fire extinguisher to put out the flames. An employee had the fire extinguished before the fire crews were able to respond. There were no injuries reported, and the fire caused only about \$1,000 in damage. [\[Read more\]](#)

"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

Extinguisher puts out grease fire at a Kentucky Fried Chicken

The Herald Palladium (Niles, MI)

December 6, 2016

NILES, MI- No one was injured when the Niles Fire Department responded to a grease fire at a Kentucky Fried Chicken. Workers first noticed a fire underneath the fryer, but then the flames spread upward. As some employees called 911 and evacuated the restaurant, other workers used a portable fire extinguisher to put out the flames. When the fire department arrived, the flames had been extinguished and damage had been limited to the frying machine. [\[Read more\]](#)



Extinguisher stops fabric fire in commercial building

Chicago Tribune (Chicago, IL)

November 9, 2016

NAPERVILLE, IL- Workers inside of a larger commercial building called 911 after they discovered some fabric that was on fire. The workers were able to successfully put out the fire using a portable fire extinguisher before fire crews arrived on the scene. The fire was also extinguished before the buildings smoke alarms were triggered, and no evacuation was required. Damage was limited to the fabric section of the store.

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portable fire extinguishers, interior equipment, fire hose and pre-engineered suppression systems. These divisions work together in an effort to promote Layered Fire Protection, Life Safety and initial response when disaster strikes. Members of the Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association have formed a subgroup, the Government Relations Committee (GRC), to address legislative and regulatory issues relating to portable fire extinguishers and pre-engineered systems. The GRC's main goals focus on helping to educate officials by advancing a layered fire safety philosophy that reflects the need for both sprinklers and portable extinguishers. This newsletter is published periodically to communicate to key members of the fire services and code officials on the importance of layered fire safety and the role that special application fire suppression systems and portable extinguishers play.