

Local 'hero' saves mother and baby from car fire

CBS 2 IdahoNews (Meridian, ID)

April 2, 2022

Meridian, ID – A local man is being called a hero after he helped save a mother and baby from a vehicle fire alongside a highway. The Meridian Fire Department told reporters that they received a call about a car that had caught fire just before noon on a recent Wednesday. Upon arriving on the scene, the firefighters found a man using a portable fire extinguisher to prevent the flames from spreading. The Meridian Fire Department was able to extinguish the fire and reported that as a result of the man's actions, there were no injuries from the fire. [\[Read more\]](#)



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

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

Hoverboard fire put out with extinguisher

mLive (Blackman Township, MI)

March 30, 2022

Blackman Township, MI – A local fire department was called to respond to a house fire recently after a



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

hoverboard caught on fire while it was charging. The Director of the Blackman-Leoni Department of Public Safety said that fire crews were called to the house, but the residents had already been able to quickly put out the flames with a portable fire extinguisher. There were no reported injuries as a result of the fire and only minor 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

Fire extinguisher used to stop spread of kitchen fire

The Brunswick News (Simons Island, GA)

April 1, 2022

Simons Island, GA – An employee at a popular restaurant in Georgia recently had to jump into action to stop the spread of a fire. A fire had started in the ceiling of the smokehouse when the local fire-rescue division received the call to respond. Upon arriving on the scene, they found an employee using a portable fire extinguisher to stop the flames from spreading. The Glynn County Fire-Rescue Division was able to completely extinguish the fire, later saying that a grease buildup around an exhaust fan was sparked by a rising wood ember, but that service was only slightly interrupted as a result of the fire. [\[Read more\]](#)





Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association 101

The Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association is the premier trade association representing leading brands, and spanning dozens of product categories related to fire protection. The Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association is comprised of four divisions represented by product

categories: 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.

