

Woman saves barn from 80 miles away

CBS News (West Sand Lake, NY)
November 13, 2020

West Sand Lake, NY - On a recent Friday evening, a woman was watching a livestream of a pig enclosure at a farm 80 miles away when the pig knocked a heat lamp into a pile of hay. As the woman watched the rapidly spreading fire, she began calling every phone number she could find for the farm. She was finally able to connect with the farmer and alert him to the fire in the pig enclosure. She then watched on the live stream as two farmers rushed into the enclosure, one who led the pig out while the other used a portable fire extinguisher to put out the flames. No animals or humans suffered injuries as a result of 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

Couple puts out boat fire with extinguisher

Newport News Times (Waldport, OR)
October 27, 2020

Waldport, OR - An Oregon couple was waiting at the Port of Alsea to pick up food when they noticed smoke beginning to billow from a docked boat. The couple ran to the boat and discovered that the fire was spreading from a battery located on a commercial boat. Then after successfully searching the surrounding boats for a portable fire extinguisher, they used it to put out the flames before the fire department could arrive. There were no reported injuries from the fire, though the couple told reporters that their food was cold by the time they picked it up. [\[Read more\]](#)



"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 put out porch fire

Seacoastonline (Portsmouth, NH)
November 19, 2020

Portsmouth, NH - A man was working in a residential neighborhood when he noticed that a nearby porch was engulfed in flames. He immediately grabbed the portable fire extinguisher he keeps with him, ran over to the fire, and used it to extinguish most of the flames. Portsmouth firefighters were able to knock down the remaining flames. Damage was limited to the porch railing and the overhanging part of the roof. [\[Read more\]](#)



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