

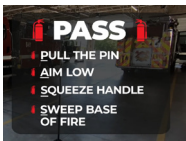
Idaho man praised for multiple fire extinguisher saves

KTVB7 (Kuna, ID)
July 3, 2024



A resident of Kuna, ID, is being praised for using a portable fire extinguisher to save multiple drivers in recent years. His most recent effort came in June when he noticed a truck with an oil leak that had caught fire as the driver was driving down the interstate. Using the fire extinguisher he keeps in his car, the man was able to completely douse the fire, preventing significant damage to the vehicle. After witnessing a vehicle fire

years ago, he decided to always keep a fire extinguisher in his own vehicle. Following the incident in June, fire officials in Kuna praised the man, urging everyone to keep a fire extinguisher in case of emergency. [\[Read more\]](#)



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

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

13-year-old hero saves home with fire extinguisher

The Daily Sentinel (Rome, NY)
July 16, 2024

A 13-year-old boy from Willowvale, NY, received the Civilian of the Year Award for his heroic actions after a fire ignited in his neighbor's garage. When his neighbor alerted him to the fire, he quickly sprang into action. Despite his age, he knew to grab his family's portable fire extinguisher and rushed to his neighbor's home. Using the extinguisher, he was able to safely knock out the flames before they could spread. After the incident, fire officials noted that his actions prevented serious damage to the home. [\[Read more\]](#)



"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

Employee prevents disaster after firework prank

WSVN (Fort Lauderdale, FL)
June 26, 2024

Ahead of the July 4th holiday, fire officials in Fort Lauderdale, FL responded to a fire at a Walmart store. After a group of juveniles set off fireworks in the store, nearby clothing began to catch fire. Fortunately, an employee witnessed the incident and was able to knock out the flames using a portable fire extinguisher before they could spread. When firefighters arrived, they found that the fire was completely extinguished. Although some merchandise was damaged, the fire was contained, and no injuries were reported. [\[Read more\]](#)



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.



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