







Portable Fire Extinguisher Guide



Extinguisher	Extinguishing Agent	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class E	Class F	Comments
		Wood Paper Plastic	Flammable and Combustible Liquids	Flammable Gases	Electrically Energised Equipment	Cooking Oils and Fats	
 (Solid Red)	Water	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	Dangerous if used on flammable liquid, electrical fires, and cooking oil and fats.
 (Oatmeal band)	Wet Chemical	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	Dangerous if used on electrical fires.
 (Blue band)	Foam	✓	✓	✗	✗	limited	Dangerous if used on electrical fires.
 (White band)	Powder (ABE)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	Suitable for most fires.
 (Black band)	Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	limited	limited	✗	✓	✗	Not suitable for outdoor use or smouldering deep seated Class A fires.
	Fire Blanket	limited	limited	✗	✗	✓	Fire Blankets may be used as a thermal barrier against radiated heat and to control burning clothes.