

Portable Fire Extinguishers in a Commercial Business

Where do I place my fire extinguisher in my commercial business?

The Alberta Fire Code, in conjunction with NFPA 10 – Standard for Portable Fire Extinguisher (2010 edition) sets out requirements for regulating portable extinguishers.

The Code requires extinguishers to be located inside buildings with the exception of a few outdoor locations like service stations, lumber plants and bulk plants.

These portable extinguishers are to be in proximity to a fire hazard and shall be located to be accessible without exposing the operator to undue risk.

In the event you have purchased your extinguishers from a certified fire extinguisher servicing agency, they will be able to provide you guidance on the placement, installation and maintenance of your fire extinguishers.

In addition, the local Authority Having Jurisdiction (Fire Department/Fire Prevention Branch) will be able to assist you with the proper sizing and placement of portable fire extinguishers throughout your commercial business.

Please contact your local Authority Having Jurisdiction for further assistance. If you need assistance with determining who your contact person is, please contact Safety Services at 1-866-421-6929 or email safety.services@gov.ab.ca

Below are links to our website that contain more information on Portable Fire Extinguishers:

http://www.ofc.alberta.ca/documents/Fire_Extinguishers_Fact_Sheet-08-03-10.pdf

<http://municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/documents/ss/STANDATA/fire/Notice-PortableFireExtinguisherServicing.pdf>

<http://www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca/documents/14-FCB-002-PortableFireExtinguishers.pdf>

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For more information, please call Municipal Affairs, Safety Services at 1-866-421-6929 or visit www.municipalaffairs.alberta.ca