



FIRE EXTINGUISHER USE

To correctly use a **Fire Extinguisher** remember the acronym **PASS**, or the chant Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep. To correctly use a fire extinguisher you will need to:

- **Pull** the safety pin out.
- **Aim** the extinguisher nozzle at the base of the flames (what is burning) rather than at the actual flames.
- **Squeeze** the handles together to activate the extinguisher.
- **Sweep** the extinguishing agent across the area that is burning.

Other tips about **Fire Extinguishers** are:

Extinguishers are short lived. They will run out of extinguishing agent fairly quickly, so being as accurate as possible is important. Also, you will need to be in a position to get to a safe area quickly, and save as much of the vehicle as possible, if the extinguisher does not put out the fire.

Fires put out with **Extinguishers** are prone to reignite. This is especially true if the fire involved liquid or gaseous fuels. Never turn your back on a fire that was put out with an extinguisher.

The **Fire Extinguisher** can only work if it has extinguishing agent in it.

Be sure it is checked as part of the Pre-trip Inspection!