

FIRE CLASSIFICATIONS



You must identify the type of fire before you take action.

Class A:
ordinary combustibles

...such as wood, paper, wastepaper baskets, stationery stores, textiles, fabric and furniture.

Class B:
flammable liquids

...such as lubricants, spirits, petrol, paints, solvents, fuel oils and flammable liquid stores.

Class C:
flammable gases

...such as propane AND butane.

Class D:
metals

... such as magnesium, aluminium, sodium and potassium (unlikely in an office environment).

Class F:
cooking oils

... such as vegetable oil, sunflower oil and liquefiable solids like lard, butter and margarine.

Electrical

Danger areas include ventilation systems, computer rooms, switch gear and lift motor rooms.



Using the wrong extinguisher on the wrong type of fire can lead to disaster and could cost you your life.