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Procedures for monthly fire extinguishers inspection

Did you know that it is required for every hand portable fire extinguisher to be inspected every month and signed off?

NFPA 10 Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers 2018 Edition

Chapter 7 Inspection, Maintenance, and Recharging of Portable Fire Extinguishers

7.1. General

7.1.2.3. – Persons performing 30-day inspections shall not be required to be certified.

7.2.1. Frequency

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What should I be inspecting and how do I maintain a log-book?

When performing the monthly inspections on portable fire extinguishers see the instructions below and follow the chart example at the end of this letter.

Procedures in inspection of hand portable fire extinguishers as per California Fire Code 2016

(1) Located in designated place.
(2) No obstructions to access or visibility.
(3) Operating instructions on nameplate legible and facing outward.
(4) Safety seals and tamper indicators not broken or missing.
(5) Examine for obvious physical damage, corrosion, leakage or clogged nozzle.
(6) Pressure gauge reading or indicator in the operable range or position.
(7) Fullness determined be weighing or hefting.

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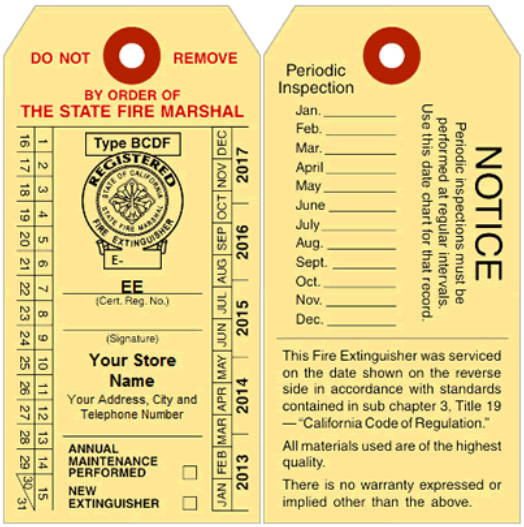

Your service company will fill out the front of the service tag and you the customer are responsible for the back!