

# THE EXPERT FIRE SOLUTIONS GUIDE TO HOW TO USE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER



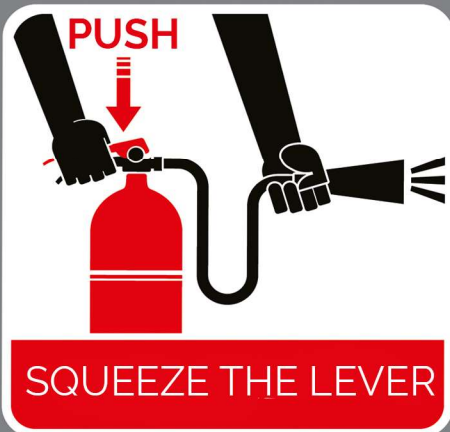
All fire extinguishers are fitted with a pin in the handle to prevent them from being discharged by accident.

Pull the pin out by grabbing the ring. Hold the extinguisher with the nozzle pointing away from you.



Hold the lower handle lever with one hand and, with the other hand, grab the hose or nozzle. The plastic discharge horn of carbon dioxide extinguishers gets extremely cold, so avoid touching it.

The aim is to extinguish the fuel at the base of the fire rather than the flames at the top.



Squeeze the two levers together with one hand to discharge the extinguisher. Keep pointing the nozzle at the base of the fire, while applying slow and even pressure to the levers.

Release the levers to stop the extinguisher discharging.



Slowly sweep the hose from side to side, still aiming at the base of the fire.

Carefully move closer to the fire as the flames die down and continue to discharge the extinguisher until the fire is out.

If the flames start to flare up again, back away and repeat the process.

**LEAVE THE ROOM IMMEDIATELY IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE AND CALL 999**