TESTING SKILLS

PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS #1
Selecting the Appropriate Fire Extinguisher

Subject: Fireground Operations
NFPA 1001 5.3.16

OBJECTIVE
Extinguish incipient Class A, Class B, and Class C fires, given a selection of portable fire extinguishers, so that the correct extinguisher is chosen, the fire is completely extinguished, and correct extinguisher-handling techniques are followed. (5.3.16)

INSTRUCTIONS - procedures for achieving the objective
You shall demonstrate the operation of fire extinguishers on a Class A, B or C fire. You are required to properly select an appropriate extinguisher, properly approach, extinguish, and withdraw after the fire is completely extinguished. Only one extinguisher may be used on each class of fire. You will begin on my instruction to start. The skill will end when you state to me that you have completed all of the identified steps. Do you understand these instructions?

EXAMINERS NOTE
Maximum safe distances for:
- Water extinguisher - 30 feet
- AFFF extinguisher - 25 feet
- Dry chemical - 20 feet

The firefighter trainee will not be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of testing.

PREPARATION & EQUIPMENT
Stored-pressure water extinguisher - 2½ gallons
AFFF extinguisher - 2½ gallons
Dry chemical extinguisher - 20 pound
16 square foot metal pan (minimum size) Class A fuel
Class B fuel
Class C fuel (may be simulated)

The firefighter trainee shall accomplish the skill wearing "FULL PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTERS" to include helmet, gloves, coat, trousers, boots, and SCBA.
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<td>a. Selects an appropriate extinguisher based on the size and type of fire</td>
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<td>b. Safely carries portable fire extinguishers</td>
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<td>c. Approaches fire with portable fire extinguishers</td>
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<td>d. Operates portable fire extinguisher correctly</td>
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<td>e. Ensures extinguishment of fire</td>
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<td>f. Performs skill in a safe and proficient manner</td>
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TOTAL POINTS: 6

Points needed to pass: 4

Evaluator/Candidate Comments:

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Certifying Examiner                                  Date

Overall Skill Sheet Score
Pass ☐       Fail ☐

Re-Test Certifying Examiner                           Date

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