

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FIRE AND EMS DEPARTMENT

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YOUR ESSENTIAL FIRE EXTINGUISHER TIP SHEET



WHERE CAN I DISPOSE OF MY FIRE EXTINGUISHER IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY?

Fire extinguishers are considered household hazardous waste.
Disposal options:

- Household Hazardous Waste Acceptance Sites
- (Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill, Upper Marlboro) or Missouri Ave Convenience Center, Brandywine
- Mobile Disposal Events



HOW DO I RECHARGE MY FIRE EXTINGUISHER?

Recharging a fire extinguisher involves replacing the extinguishing agent. It should be done by a certified service company as directed by the fire extinguisher instructions. **Fire departments no longer recharge extinguishers.**



PURCHASING A NEW ONE?

- Hardware Stores
- Online (from reputable known companies)
- Big-box retailers



WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT CLASS MEANINGS OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS?

A	B	C	D	K
trash, wood, paper	liquids	electrical equipment	metals	combustible cooking



Consider a Fire Spray in addition to a fire extinguisher



WHERE IN MY HOME SHOULD I KEEP A FIRE EXTINGUISHER?

- Kitchen
- Sources of heat
- Garage
- One per level

INSPECTION

- Hose for any cracks
- Expiration
- Gauge in the green
- Safety pin in place

Operation

Pull
Aim
Squeeze
Sweep

