

# **Table 4.4: Inspection and Maintenance of Fire Extinguishers**

## **ITEM**

### REQUIREMENTS

#### 5. MAINTENANCE

# 1. EQUIPMENT/CYLINDERS

- Extinguishers shall be in charged condition as per manufacturer's specifications.
- ii. All mechanical parts shall be inspected for smooth operation.
- iii. Hydrostatic tests shall be conducted or extinguishers shall be replaced if there are signs of corrosion, mechanical damage, denting or abrasion.
- iv. Damaged threads, damaged gauges, damaged seals and locks etc. shall be replaced.
- v. Deformed nozzles, clogged nozzles, blocked nozzles shall be replaced/cleaned and ensured that it is in good working condition.
- vi. Damaged, cracked or torn hose assemblies shall be replaced.
- vii. Valves, gauges, pressure indicating devices shall be free of damage. if damaged, shall be replaced.
- viii. If puncture mechanism is damaged, dull, shall be replaced.
- ix. Corroded, damaged carriage for trolley type extinguishers, shall be repaired or replaced.
- x. Damaged, wheels, spokes, jammed wheels shall be replaced in wheel type extinguishers.
- xi. Damaged gaskets, "O" rings and seals shall be replaced.
- xii. Corroded, damaged gas tubes, siphon or pickup tube shall be replaced.

### 2. EXTINGUISHING AGENT

- i. WATER: If improper fill level, refill.
- ii. FOAM: If recharge date is due, empty, clean and recharge.
- iii. CO2: If improper weight, recharge to proper weight.
- iv. DRY CHEMICAL/DRY POWDER: If agent is contaminated or caking, empty, clean and refill. If improper weight, refill to specifications. If cartridge is damaged, tampered or punctured, replace cartridge.
- v. WET CHEMICAL: IF improper weight, empty, clean and refill. if pressure not in acceptable range, re-pressurize.

