

# P.A.S.S.

The acronym PASS represents the four steps of operating a fire extinguisher: Pull, Aim, Squeeze, and Sweep. This system provides clear instructions on how to effectively use a fire extinguisher and ensures the operator's safety. During a fire emergency, it is understandable to feel panicked, but if you can maintain composure and recall the PASS technique, you have a better chance of extinguishing the fire and protecting yourself and others from severe consequences. Let's look into each component of the PASS fire extinguisher technique to gain a better understanding.

## P - Pull

Pulling the pin on the fire extinguisher breaks the tamper seal, indicating that the extinguisher is now prepared for use.

## A - Aim

Aiming to extinguish the source of the flames, direct the fire extinguisher towards the base of the fire.

## S - Squeeze

Squeezing the handle of the fire extinguisher allows for the discharge of the extinguishing agent directly at the fire.

## S - Sweep

Sweeping the fire extinguisher from side to side while keeping it pointed at the base of the fire until the flames are extinguished. Exercise caution, as there is a possibility of the fire reigniting. If that occurs, repeat steps 2 to 4 to suppress the flames once again.

