## **TOOLBOX TALKS** FIRE PREVENTION & EXTINGUISHING

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## **GENERAL PRECAUTIONS**

- Keep firefighting equipment where it is easy to find and access
- Keep all machinery and equipment clean
- Immediately clean up all trash and any oil spill

## **FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS**

- Take care to prevent vapors from flammable liquids, such as solvents, from coming into contact with heat or flames
- Store flammable liquids in appropriate, approved containers
- Always observe no smoking signs
- Never use gasoline as a cleaning agent

## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- Use fire extinguishers on small fires only
- Aim at the base of the fire and use a sweeping motion
- Never block your passage of escape when fighting a fire
- Always use the proper type of extinguisher for the type of fire you are fighting
- Make sure all personnel are properly training in the correct use of fire extinguishers
- Use the P.A.S.S. method:
  - P: Pull the pin
  - A: Aim the extinguisher at the base of the fire
  - S: Squeeze the extinguisher handle
  - S: Sweep from side to side



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