



TOP 5 factors to consider when choosing the right portable fire extinguisher

When fire breaks out, the impact – on people, property and profitability – can be significant.

How can you tell if a portable fire extinguisher is up to the challenge?

Here are five important considerations:

1. Development

Fire extinguishers should be developed to meet the specific requirements of multiple industries:

- High fire-risk industrial applications to areas with a large population and high foot traffic
- Evolving technologies that see continuous development in areas such as water and water mist extinguishing solutions



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2. Design



Safety starts with a smart design. Accessibility, flexibility and ease-of-use are crucial for minimising risk when using a portable fire extinguisher. Look for these key design aspects to ensure you choose the best firefighting solution:

Ergonomic 45 degree angle carrying handles for easier transportation

Nozzle tips designed for more precise agent delivery

Easy maintenance and servicing

Coloured labels for easy product identification

Extended hose for greater flexibility

3. Production

A great design is nothing without a high-quality production process.



Portable extinguishers should be:

- Manufactured in locations that allow for complete visibility of the production process
- Assembled by highly skilled production technicians and engineers
- Certified and approved by third party agencies*



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Products developed, designed and produced in Germany often demonstrate the pinnacle of engineering excellence.



4. Quality assurance



To achieve compliance with all major standards and regulations, manufacturers should undergo rigorous quality assurance measures such as:

- Quality control and inspection on incoming goods
- Modern welding technology, pressure testing and internal coating inspection on all container manufacturing
- Burst and crush testing to latest industry standards



5. Customer service

A commitment to quality shouldn't end at the factory gate. Extinguisher manufacturers should offer:

- Regional sales representatives and local support for dealers and distributors
- Competent and qualified internal technical support
- Training for new products or refresher training for existing products
- A comprehensive portfolio of Fire Protection solutions



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