

**Long Term Care - Introduction to Facility
Emergency Plans**

Code Red - Fire

What is a “Code Red”

- **Code Red** is called when the fire alarm is activated and/or when smoke or fire is observed in the facility.
- The objectives of the plan include alerting staff and first responders of the fire by activating the fire alarm, removing residents and staff from danger, containing the fire and/or smoke and extinguish if it is safe to do so.
- A **Code Red** can lead to partial or full evacuation (**Code Green**)

What to do if you Discover a Fire – **R.A.C.E.**

If you discover a fire or are alerted to a fire emergency in your immediate area carry out the following:

- R- Rescue:** Move residents, visitors and staff from immediate danger
- A- Alarm:** Sound fire alarm or assign co-worker to do so while you move residents.. Once safe to do so, also ensure 9-911 has been contacted
- C- Confine:** Close all doors to prevent the spread of fire and smoke (**activate red door tags as appropriate**). If safe to do so, remove portable oxygen and/or other hazardous materials
- E- Extinguish:** Properly trained staff may attempt to extinguish the fire using portable fire extinguishers and the **PASS** method

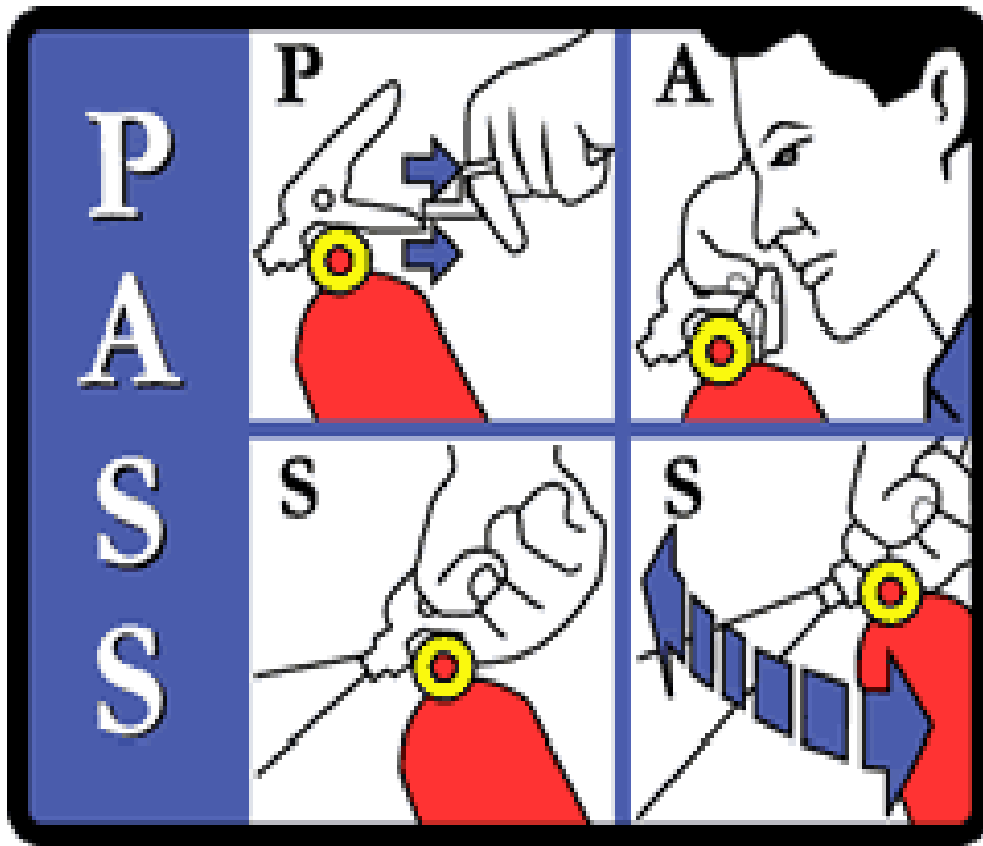
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What to do if you Discover a Fire – **S.C.A.T.E.E.**

If you discover a fire or are alerted to a fire emergency in your immediate area carry out the following:

- S- Save** anyone in danger - direct, guide or assist residents out of the immediate area
 - C- Contain/Confine:** Close all doors to prevent the spread of fire and smoke (**activate red door tags as appropriate**). If safe to do so, oxygen and /or other hazardous materials
 - A- Activate Alarm,** if fire alarm has not been automatically triggered, trigger manually by pulling the lever on the nearest alarm pull station
 - T- Telephone,** If the alarm system is not functioning properly, ensure 9-911 is called. Once safe to do so confirm that 9-911 has been alerted by calling 9-911
 - E- Extinguish** if safe to do so - do an assessment yourself and determine if it is safe to attempt to extinguish the fire using the **PASS** method (DO NOT ENDANGER YOURSELF OR OTHERS)
 - E- Evacuate,** if the fire can't be extinguished or safety is endangered in the area, evacuate yourself and residents beyond the nearest fire door
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For Proper use of the Fire Extinguisher remember PASS



- P** – **Pull** the pin located in the extinguisher's handle.
- A** – **Aim** the nozzle, horn or hose at the base of the fire.
- S** – **Squeeze** or press the handle.
- S** – **Sweep** from side to side at the base of the fire until it is out.

For more information of fire extinguisher placement and use see the following video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ktrv34zW7-A>

Know Your Facility

- You should know the location of the following fire related equipment and information in your facility, including but not necessarily limited to:
 - ▶ Fire extinguishers
 - ▶ Fire pull stations
 - ▶ Fire doors
 - ▶ Blue door lock override pull stations (in some sites)
 - ▶ Fire exits
 - ▶ Site All Hazards/Emergency Plan

Where to go to learn more!

- Site All Hazards Plan
- Supervisor
- www.healthpei.ca/src/ltc
- Contact Emergency Health and Planning Services – spdaley@gov.pe.ca

Thank you!

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