

# SafetyAlert

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## FIRE SAFETY ON SITE

Fire still remains a significant risk to operators/visitors and the public during construction works, in recent site audits it has become apparent that fire points are constructed inconsistently. This safety notice should be used as an educational tool to aid site management teams on the correct fire point set up.

### Incorrect practice on site include:

- The wrong type of fire extinguisher
- Extinguishers not in date of annual inspection
- Poor maintenance of extinguishers, safety pins missing or loss of pressure
- Ring bell call points fitted
- No fire plan
- No record of fire evacuation drill
- No fire extinguishers when conducting hot works

### Recommended practice

- Appoint a fire safety champion to monitor fire point standards
- Place all safety apparatus on a fire stand as shown below
- Fire points ideally should consist of 1 foam and 1 CO2 extinguisher
- Fitted with push button call point
- Up to date fire plan detailing where you are and escape routes
- Display phone numbers of fire safety marshals/co-ordinators
- Fire points should be placed on stair well landing points on large building projects to achieve uniformity throughout



If you need further guidance on matters relating to fire safety, please contact the SHEQ Dept.