





So what is a fire hazard?

A situation where there is a greater than normal risk of a fire starting.

For a fire to start there have to be **three** components: **fuel**, **ignition** and **oxygen**.

If all three are present, and in close proximity, then the risk of fire increases.







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Be sure to keep an eye out for potential fire hazards when doing your job. Keep yourself and your work mates out of danger.





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- Accumulated waste and rubbish that may be combustible









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Types of Fire

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Class A

Class B

Class C

Class D

Class F

Carbon based e.g. wood, paper, etc

Which extinguisher to use...

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Water or foam (direct at base of fire)









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Flammable liquids/solids e.g. petrol wax

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Foam, dry powder or CO₂ (don't touch the nozzle)







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Flammable gases e.g. propane

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Dry powder (remove source of gas)



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Metal e.g. magnesium, thermit – welding of rail.

What to do...

In the event of a metal fire call the Fire Brigade immediately.

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Fats and cooking oils

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Smother / fire blanket





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Fire spreads fast!

Be sure you can act faster by remembering these quick fire facts:

- 1. Raise the alarm
- 2. Evacuate the premises/worksite
- 3. Call the fire brigade
- 4. Stay out
- 5. Don't put yourself at risk







Any burning questions?

If there is anything you're unsure of, or if you have any disability which could make it difficult to evacuate in the event of a fire – be sure to let your line manager know.

Don't wait until it's too late.







Make sure you know the drill by logging onto the Oracle e-business suite and taking our fire safety e-learning module. Or contact your line manager for further information.



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