

What are the requirements for portable Extinguishers on Vehicles?

The Alberta Fire Code sets out requirements for regulating portable extinguishers. The Code requires extinguishers to be located inside buildings with the exception of a few outdoor locations like service stations, lumber plants and bulk plants.

The Code also requires extinguishers to be located on a "*tank vehicle*." A *tank vehicle* means any vehicle, other than railroad tank cars and boats, with a cargo tank having a capacity of more than 450 L, mounted or built as an integral part of the vehicle and used for the transportation of *flammable liquids* or *combustible liquids* and including tank trucks, trailers and semi-trailers.

The Fire Code does not regulate portable extinguishers used in vehicles, trucks, pick-up trucks, buses or any other service vehicle, however portable extinguishers may be required in the vehicles listed by other Federal or Provincial legislation.

When you have safety-related questions, please contact either your local municipal safety codes officer, or the Safety Services Branch. Safety Services can be contacted by:

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