What are the training requirements for portable fire extinguishers? (1) If you provide portable fire extinguishers for employee use, then you must also provide training to familiarize employees with the general principles of fire extinguisher use and the hazards involved in fighting fires when they first appear.

You must provide the training when the employee is first hired and at least annually thereafter.

(2) For employees who have been designated to use firefighting equipment as part of an emergency action plan, you must provide training in the use of the appropriate equipment.

You must provide the training upon initial assignment to the designated group of employees and at least annually thereafter.