

4. Squeeze the handle to release the *extinguishing agent* (see Figure 29).

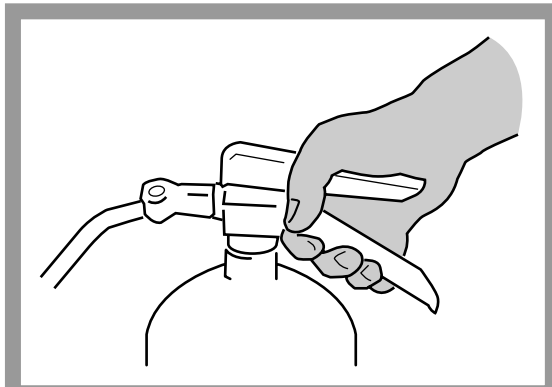


Figure 29
Step 4 Squeeze the handle

KEY TERM

Extinguishing agent—Substance used to put out a fire

Examples: Water, carbon dioxide, dry chemicals, foam

5. Sweep the nozzle from side to side until the fire appears to be out, repeating the process if fire breaks out again (see Figure 30).

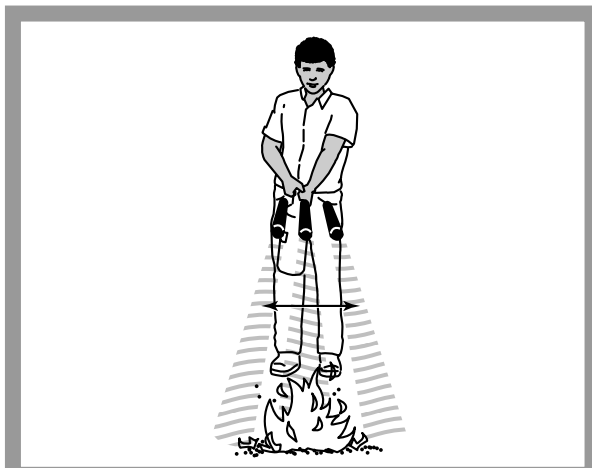


Figure 30
Step 5 Sweep the nozzle from side to side

✓ **NOTE:** One way to remember this sequence is to remember that the first letters of the steps spell “I PASS.” Most portable extinguishers work according to these general directions. Always follow the directions printed on the model you are using.