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ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF INDUSTRY IN FIRE SAFETY AND BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING

Training: Business's essential first line of defence

With the failure rate of some 25% after a serious fire¹, it is critical for business to have the appropriate fire protection equipment and ensure that staff will know what to do in the event of a fire.

Installing extinguishers and other fire equipment around the workplace is an important first step, but having staff that know how to use it is also essential. If not used correctly, fire equipment can be ineffective and a the worst case scenario a hazard in an emergency situation.

This demonstrated recently when a maintenance worker in New South Wales was trying to put out a fire that broke out in his workplace. Unaware of the potential dangers of the incorrect handling of the fire

extinguisher, he ended up spraying the extinguisher into his eyes, severely damaging his eyesight.

Training is an essential line of defence against fire, providing employees with an awareness of how different types of fires can start and instilling in them the confidence required to respond effectively.

DMA Supplies extinguisher training courses cover a combination of theory and practical training designed to educate and equip staff to have the knowledge and confidence to use or not use extinguishers in a fire situation.

Contact us to find out more about our course.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Because the goodwill of those we serve is the foundation of our success it is a real pleasure at this holiday time to Thank You as we wish you all a full year of happiness and prosperity

Have a very happy and safety Christmas and new Year period and we look forward to working with you all next year.

There will be no newsletter during January



Christmas Holiday Tree & Decoration Safety Tips

Plan for safety. Remember, there is no substitute for common sense. Look for and eliminate potential dangers.

Trees

Many artificial trees are fire resistant. If you buy one, look for a statement specifying this protection.

A fresh tree will stay green longer and be less of a fire hazard than a dry tree. To check for freshness, remember:

A fresh tree is green. Fresh needles are hard to pull from branches.

When bent between your fingers, fresh needles do not break.

The trunk butt of a fresh tree is sticky with resin.

When the trunk of a tree is bounced on the ground, a shower of falling needles shows that tree is too dry.

Place tree away from fireplaces, radiators and other heat sources. Heated rooms dry trees out rapidly, creating fire hazards.

Lights

Indoors or outside, use only lights that have been tested for safety. Identify these by the label from an independent testing laboratory.

Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections. Discard damaged sets or repair them before using.

INDUSTRY UPDATES:



- AS 3745 -2009 has now been published by Australian Standards Fire Prevention Australia will be conducting seminars in each state to outline the changes to this standard
- AS4083-2009 Emergency Procedures Health Care Facilities has now been published



Contact the Fire & emergency Response Training team if you have any questions regarding any of the articles in this newsletter or would like a question answered by our team in this newsletter.

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COURSES AVAILABLE

- WARDEN TRAINING
- CHIEF WARDENS TRAINING
- EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEES
- DEVELOPMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS (AS3745 AND AS4083)
- EVACUATION DIAGRAMS
- WARDENS EQUIPMENT (Tabards, hats, etc)
- EVACUATION EXERCISES
- EXTINGUISHER TRAINING
- BOMB THREAT TRAINING
- GUEST SPEAKER
- BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANS
- EVACUATION PACKS
- BUSINESS CONTINUITY PACKS
- SCHOOL PACKS
- CONSULTANCY SERVICE
- FACILITY SPECIFIC COURSES