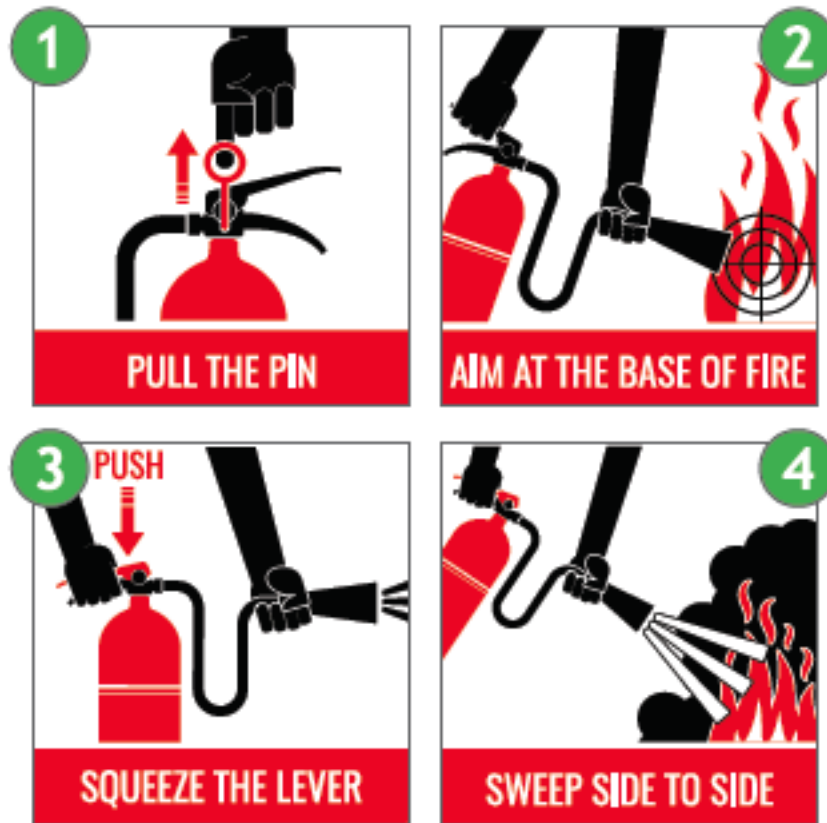


BARN FIRES

As animal lovers and horse owners, nothing is more terrifying than a barn fire. We do our best to try to prevent fires here are best practices:

- Have the fire department conduct a fire-prevention inspection
- Mount fully-charged ABC fire extinguishers in several areas. Have an inspection service check them annually and do a monthly visual inspections of all safety devices. Train all employees and boarders on how to use fire extinguishers.



- Have a license electrician inspect all heating and electrical systems. Faulty heating equipment/ electrical systems cause almost 40% of barn fires
- Make sure all fans have sealed motors
- Keep aisles and exits clear of loose/spilled hay, cobwebs/dust, shavings, straw, baling twine, and other flammables
- Hang a halter/lead rope at each stall and plan where to put horses in the event of a fire.
- Ensure that all electrical appliances/equipment are UL compliant and plugged directly into metal outlets with self-closing covers. Improper use of heated buckets and portable water heaters can cause fires
- Post and enforce “No Smoking” signs.