



Minimising accidental discharges of extinguishing agents saves you money

Here's some tips for how you can prevent accidental discharges.

The FPIB has produced a Good Practice Guide detailing appropriate work practices to help avoid accidental discharges of extinguishing agents. Scan the QR code to download.



Proper equipment

- Ensure all container valve discharge outlets are capped and are out of the way of pressure relief devices.
- Use container valve discharge caps that are rated one and a half times the working pressure of the container.



Regular maintenance

- Ensure you remove actuators from container valves before carrying out maintenance work.
- Check for leaks, worn down valves, hose lines, and loosely secured pins.
- If you identify any defects that could cause an accidental discharge:
 - immediately advise the owner
 - where possible, take corrective action
 - record the issue and corrective actions in the maintenance record



Awareness

If you have external contractors onsite that are not familiar with your fire suppression systems, make sure they are made aware before they enter the site.

