

## **Good Work Practice - Fire Protection and Prevention**

Good housekeeping is the first rule of fire prevention.

Oily rags, paper, shavings, trim, pallets, insulation, scrap wood and defective slings, wire rope, and other materials shall be disposed of properly or stacked neatly for removal.

Flammable liquids shall be kept to a minimum and stored in a UL-approved container.

Ensure that all fire extinguishers and other firefighting equipment is ready for use. Fire extinguishers should be accessible, inspected monthly, and serviced annually.

Any defective or discharged fire extinguisher shall be removed from service and replaced immediately.

Only approved solvents shall be used for cleaning and degreasing.

Prior to any work that creates sparks or ignition sources, check your area to ensure that all combustible or flammable material is removed. Comply with the details of the customer or Geocomp/GeoTesting Hotwork Permit Program.

Pull the fire alarm to report a fire. Do not attempt to fight a fire unless you have been trained. Usually no more than two fire extinguishers. Under no circumstances remain to fight the fire if you cannot do so in a manner that will not put you at unnecessary risk.

Fire extinguishers or similar firefighting equipment should be appropriate for the hazard and be easily accessible at all times.