

How to Use a Fire Extinguisher & Daisy Chaining Risks

When it comes to fire safety, knowing how to properly use a fire extinguisher and understanding the dangers of daisy chaining electrical cords are critical. Both practices go hand in hand in preventing fires in the workplace and home. Follow these simple steps to ensure a safer environment for all.



What is Daisy Chaining? Daisy chaining refers to the practice of connecting two or more extension cords or power strips together, often due to a lack of available outlets.

Daisy Chaining: The Dangers and How to Prevent Them

Do's:

- Use a longer extension cord instead of connecting multiple cords or power strips.
- Rearrange furniture and equipment to access a nearby outlet.
- Regularly check the condition of your cords and power strips for wear and tear.
- Ensure power strips have built-in fuses for extra protection.

Dont's:

- Avoid overloading power strips or outlets to prevent fire risks.
- Never use long extension cords with power strips, as this increases heat and electrical resistance.
- Do not use extension cords as permanent solutions; they should be replaced every 90 days.

Prevention and Safety: Best Practices

- Only use cords and power strips according to their rated capacity.
- Install additional outlets if necessary to avoid daisy chaining.
- Make sure cords are never covered or placed in high-traffic areas to prevent accidents.

How to Use a Fire Extinguisher: The PASS Technique

- **P**ull the pin from the handle to break the tamper seal.
- **A**im the nozzle at the base of the fire, not the flames.
- **S**queeze the handle to release the extinguishing agent.
- **S**weep the nozzle from side to side, covering the area of the fire.

Happy Holidays! Let's all stay safe and vigilant this holiday season. Remember, safety first, so we can enjoy a worry-free and festive time!

