



# **NEW!**

## **YOUR PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER (PFE) TAGS ARE CHANGING!**

**DO NOT REMOVE  
BY ORDER OF THE FDNY**

• ABC (Dry Chem)	• HALOTRON	•
• AFFF/FFFP	• WATER	•
• BC (Dry Chem)	• LOADED STREAM	•
• PURPLE K (PK)	• WET CHEM	•
• CARBON DIOXIDE	• CLEAN AGENT	•
• CLASS D (Dry Powder)	• INTERGEN	•
• CLASS K	• WATER MIST	•
• FE-36	• FE-13	•
• FM 200		•
• HALON 1211		•
• HALON 1301		•

THIS PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER HAS BEEN SERVICED  
AS REQUIRED BY NYC FIRE CODE 906.2.1.2

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**2018**      |      **2019**   
 **2020**



**Extinguisher  
Equipment Guru Inc.**

PROOF OF COMPLIANCE FOR USE BY CERTIFIED  
PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER SERVICING COMPANY

**VOID 1 YR. FROM MONTH PUNCHED**

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## PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER TAGS

### WHY DO PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS (PFE) NEED TAGS?

The NYC Fire Code requires the periodic inspection and servicing of portable fire extinguishers. PFE tags have important information about the extinguisher and the company who serviced the extinguisher.

### WHY ARE PFE TAGS CHANGING?

NYC Department of Investigations (DOI) discovered several PFE companies engaged in illegal activities. New PFE tags will verify that you hired an FDNY approved company.

### WHAT WERE THE PROBLEMS WITH THE OLD PFE TAGS?

Old PFE tags varied in size, shape, color and material which meant they could be easily counterfeited. In addition, they were harder to understand and identify for the FDNY and the public.

### WHAT DOES THE NEW PFE TAG LOOK LIKE?

New PFE tags are standardized with several new security measures. Only FDNY approved PFE companies can provide these new PFE tags to businesses. New PFE tags are easily identifiable by the FDNY staff and the public.



**WHAT MAKES THE NEW PFE TAGS BETTER?**

**New PFE tags have the following security measures:**

- QR Code  
Allows the public and the FDNY to access the FDNY approved company list.
- Hologram  
High quality and virtually impossible to copy.
- Barcode  
Each PFE tag will come with a unique serial number.

**WHEN ARE WE GOING TO SEE THE NEW PFE TAGS?**

Starting November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018

- New PFE tags must be placed for annual service and new PFE installations.
- Old PFE tags, which were previously placed for service or new installations are valid until their expiration date – but no later than November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Starting November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

- FDNY will only recognize new PFE tags, and will be issuing violations to businesses that have PFE installed without a proper tag.

**HOW DO I TELL IF THE PFE TAG IS FAKE?**

- A real hologram strip is 3 inches long by ¼ inch wide.
- Counterfeit tags will NOT have a high quality silver hologram.
- Counterfeit hologram will not change color as you move it against the light.

**CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS (COF) STAMP**

**WHAT IS A CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS STAMP?**

PFE company employees who PERFORMED the work need to use their COF stamp after performing the work.

**Stamps will contain:**

- Certificate of Fitness holder’s full name;
- Certificate of Fitness number;
- Company name, ID and may have the company logo.



**TIPS**

**HOW DO I CHOOSE A PFE SERVICE COMPANY?**

You can choose an FDNY approved company from the list provided at (<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/fdny/business/all-certifications/portable-fire-extinguishers-company-certificates.page>) or scan the QR code (take a picture or download a free QR reader application) with your cell phone and ensure the company name is approved by the FDNY. The list of approved companies is updated every 30 days.



**HOW DO I ENSURE THAT I ONLY HIRE AN FDNY APPROVED COMPANY?**

Before service ask the company to show you the new PFE tag of compliance. Only FDNY

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approved companies can order the new tags and COF stamps. Scan the QR code before using the servicing company to ensure the company is still FDNY approved.

**WHAT DO I DO IF THE SERVICING COMPANY IS STILL USING THE OLD PFE TAGS?**

You should inform the company that they **MUST** use the new PFE tags. If they do not, hire a different company from the FDNY approved list.

**WHAT RISKS DO I RUN IF I HIRE AN UNAUTHORIZED COMPANY?**

First of all, you are risking your business, possessions, your customers, first responders, and the public. Secondly, you will receive violation(s). Further, if a fire occurs, your insurance company will deny any claims you make.

**HOW DO I REPORT ILLEGAL ACTIVITY OR POSSIBLE FRAUD WITH THE SERVICE COMPANY?**

You should **IMMEDIATELY** report any issues to the FDNY at 718-999-2533. You can also e-mail: FDNY at [pubcert@fdny.nyc.gov](mailto:pubcert@fdny.nyc.gov)