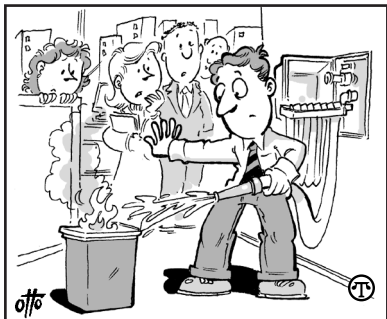


FIRE SAFETY

Protective Measures

(NAPSA)—It's not always the hot topic it should be, but fire safety preparation, education and training are critical to saving lives and protecting property at work.

For example, does anyone know how to use a standpipe fire hose? Fire hose stations and portable fire extinguishers are the first line of defense against a fire during the early stages, and everyone at work should learn about these lifesaving devices.



Save lives and protect property by learning how to fight a fire, but only when it is small and contained and everyone is safe.

Here are some tips for employers provided by the Fire Equipment Manufacturers' Association:

- Have regular fire safety meetings and review evacuation procedures.

- Post emergency numbers.

- Know where to find standpipe fire hose stations, fire extinguishers and other equipment.

- Consider online training at www.rackhosetraining.com, www.fireextinguisher.com and www.firesystemstraining.org.

- Hold a training event with the fire department.

- Be sure all fire equipment is up-to-date and maintained.

Finally, never forget—always call the fire department first.