

WAC 296-52-68055 Vehicle fire protection. (1) Fire extinguishers.

(a) **Driver training.** The driver must be trained to use the fire extinguishers on the vehicle;

(b) **Equipment specifications.** Vehicles used for transporting explosive materials must be equipped with fire extinguishers according to the gross vehicle weight:

(i) Less than 14,000 pounds: A minimum of two multipurpose dry-chemical extinguishers having a combined capacity of at least 4-A:20-B:C;

(ii) 14,000 pounds or greater: A minimum of two multipurpose dry-chemical extinguishers having a combined capacity of at least 4-A:70-B:C.

(c) **Laboratory approval.** Only fire extinguishers approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory can be used on vehicles carrying explosives;

(d) **Condition and location.** Fire extinguishers must be filled, ready for immediate use, and easily reached;

(e) **Inspection.** A competent person must inspect fire extinguishers periodically. You must comply with the requirements of WAC 296-800-30020, Inspect and test all portable fire extinguishers.

(2) **Vehicle inspection.** Any motor vehicle used for transporting explosives must have a safety inspection. The inspection must verify that:

(a) Fire extinguishers are filled and in working order;

(b) All electrical wiring is protected and securely fastened to prevent short circuiting;

(c) Chassis, motor, pan, and underside of body are reasonably clean and free of excess oil and grease;

(d) Fuel tank and feedline are secure and have no leaks;

(e) Tires are checked for proper inflation and defects;

(f) Brakes, lights, horn, windshield wipers, and steering apparatus are functioning properly;

(g) The vehicle is in proper condition in every other respect and acceptable for handling explosives.

(3) **Vehicle repair/servicing.** Motor vehicles or conveyances carrying explosives, blasting agents, or blasting supplies cannot be repaired or serviced inside a garage or shop when carrying explosive material.

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