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## **The El Paso Fire Department Wants to Remind the Public to Check Their Fire Extinguishers** **Recent recall heightens importance to check devices**

**EL PASO, Texas** – The start of the New Year is a great time to once again examine and inspect your home safety devices like smoke alarms and fire extinguishers. In light of a recent recall, the El Paso Fire Department (EPFD) wants to stress to the community the importance of inspecting your home fire extinguishers.

Kidde, a large manufacturer of fire safety products has recalled two styles of fire extinguishers, plastic handle fire extinguishers and push-button Pindicator fire extinguishers. Hazards include:

- Fire extinguishers that can become clogged or require excessive force to discharge and can fail to activate during a fire emergency.
- In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard.

The El Paso Fire Department is urging the public to check their extinguishers to see if they have a recalled Kidde brand style of extinguisher. For more information regarding the Kidde recall, visit <http://www.kidde.com/home-safety/en/us/support/product-alerts/recall-kidde-fire-extinguisher/>

The El Paso Fire Department wants you and your family to be safe for the New Year. For fire prevention tips from EPFD, visit <https://www.elpasotexas.gov/fire-department/divisions/fire-prevention>

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