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## STANDARDS BULLETIN 2009-15 Amendment to Standard

**Fourth Edition of CAN/ULC-S508-02 (including Amendments 1, 2 and 3)**

### STANDARD FOR THE RATING AND FIRE TESTING OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

ULC is pleased to announce the release of Amendment 3 to the Fourth Edition of CAN/ULC-S508-02, Standard for the Rating and Fire Testing of Fire Extinguishers. This is a ULC/UL Harmonized Binational Standard and the requirements contained in the recently published Seventh Edition of ANSI/UL 711, including Amendments 1, 2 and 3, are identical to CAN/ULC-S508-02. Amendment 3 has been approved by the ULC Committee on Portable Fire Extinguishers and has been published under the date of April 13, 2009.

CAN/ULC-S508-02 will be of interest to anyone who manufactures, distributes, regulates or inspects fire extinguishers. These requirements cover rating, and performance during fire tests, of fire extinguishers intended for use in attacking Class A, B, C, D, and K fires. These requirements also cover performance during fire tests of fire extinguishing agents for application on Class D fires. The ultimate rating of an extinguisher or the prescribed use of an extinguisher or fire extinguishing agent is based on its fire-extinguishing potential as determined by fire tests and presupposes installation and use in accordance with the Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers, NFPA 10, and with the National Fire Code of Canada. Fire extinguishers, fire extinguishing agents, or both shall also comply with the requirements for construction and performance as applicable to specific types, designs, sizes, and arrangements. Such additional requirements are not within the scope of these requirements.

Amendment 3 contains revisions to clarify the requirements in Section 7.1 (Class A extinguishers - General), Section 7.2 (Wood crib fire test) and Section 8.1 (Class B extinguishers - General). This Standard is now being re-published to include Amendment 3 of the Fourth Edition of CAN/ULC-S508-02, and all users are advised to obtain this complete version.

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This amended Standard can be ordered for \$216.00 through our website at [www.ulc.ca](http://www.ulc.ca) by clicking on *Order Standards and Directories* and then selecting *ULC Online Store*.

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