



## **Bulletin for the Manitoba Fire Service: RECALL NOTICE: CO2 Portable Fire Extinguishers Serviced By Steinbach Fire Protection Inc.**

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The purpose of this bulletin is to inform local authorities, municipal fire inspectors, and property owners that CO2 portable fire extinguishers, serviced by Steinbach Fire Protection, over the past few years, may not have complied with the requirements of National Fire Protection Association Standard 10, Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers.

Should the Verification of Service Collar (VSC) appear cut in any fashion or altered in any way and/or the Transport Canada (TC) certificate stamp is absent, building owners, or their authorized agent should contact Steinbach Fire Protection (ph. 204-320-1800) for re-evaluation and corrective actions and the Office of the Fire Commissioner (ph. 204-945-3322 or [firecomm@gov.mb.ca](mailto:firecomm@gov.mb.ca)). Pictures, locations and documents associated with the fire extinguisher will be requested.

### **Legislation:**

The Manitoba Fire Code (MFC) required portable fire extinguishers be serviced and maintained in compliance with NFPA 10. NFPA 10 requires CO2 portable fire extinguishers be hydrostatically tested at 5 year intervals. The MFC required service agencies be certified by the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Directorate, Transport Canada, where high pressure hydrostatic testing is necessary. A Verification of Service Collar must be installed after servicing that is of an uninterrupted piece of material to confirm service has been performed.

The neck of the cylinder must be physically stamped indicating the month and date of hydrostatic testing along with the Transport Canada service agency certificate number.

Examples of proper and improper testing & certification as shown on page 2.

If you have additional questions, please contact:



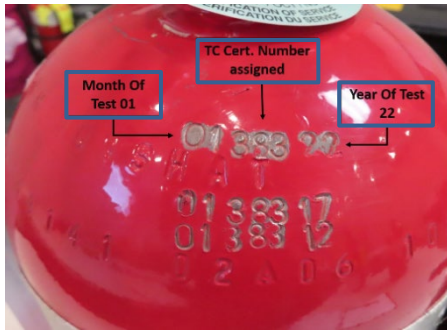
### **Office of the Fire Commissioner**

#### **Fire Inspections Unit**

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**Examples:**

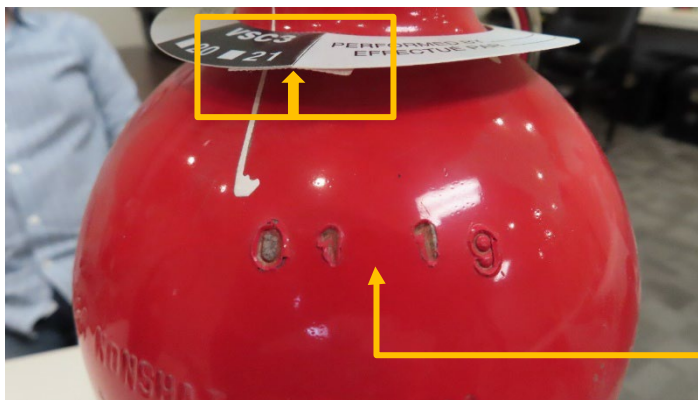
**Proper:** Valid TC stamp applied after high-pressure hydrostatic testing



**Proper:** Unaltered One-piece Verification of Service Collar applied after testing



**Improper:** Invalid VSC and Stamp



VSC has been cut & taped around extinguisher

TC Certification Number not included in stamp