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JMMC - Fire extinguishers sent for service

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Wed, May 8, 2019 at 4:06 PM

Dear Ms. Mclean,

We acknowledge your email and reply as follows :

Three of the extinguishers were discharged. We would not be able to tell you after the fact how effective they were or should have been.

The dry chemical charge in these extinguishers does not expire but over time may harden. They have a recommended check/recharge time anywhere from 5 to 8 years depending on the manufacturers specifications.

The units you gave us are what are called stored pressure extinguishers. They have a gauge telling you if they are ok or not. They are one use units and must not be " tested " before use as the gas which forces out the powder will simply leak out and so when you want to use it – nothing happens. There is a valve that keeps the gas in and it will not reseal if tested.

If they were all ok when you first got them, simply ask who tested them. That is a no no and the gas would have leaked out with the needle moving from the green on the gauge to the area recommending recharge.

Extinguishers should be checked, not tested, visually roughly every four to six months to see that they are in working condition. At hotels, malls and any heavily trafficked places we would recommend checking monthly as people tend to test or play with them.

We would be happy to do a demonstration for you if you are still confused.

Regards,

Steve Evans

From: Jamaica Millennium Motoring Club [mailto:jamotoringclub@gmail.com]
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