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Oregon OSHA - Adopted Changes
To Portable Fire Extinguishers in General Industry

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RULE CAPTION

Adopt changes to the Portable Fire Extinguishers standard.
Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency’s intended action.

RULEMAKING ACTION

- **AMEND:** OAR 437-002-0187


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