# FIRE PREVENTION

SAFETY TALK grinnellmutual.com

Everyone's help is needed to prevent fires at your work site. If a fire does break out, stay calm and follow instructions. Being prepared will help you and your team stay safe. There are also ways to minimize your risk of arson.

#### FIRE PREVENTION

- 1. Don't allow trash to accumulate unnecessarily.
- 2. Keep your work site, including offices, dock areas, and storage rooms, neat and clean.
- 3. Know where fire alarm boxes and extinguishers are located.
- 4. Know the types of fire extinguishers and how to use them. Inspect them annually.
- 5. Keep exits free from obstructions.
- 6. Smoke only where permitted.
- 7. Handle flammable liquids with caution. Store hazardous material is designated areas.
- 8. Make sure there are good connections and effective grounds in the wiring.
- 9. Report defective electrical equipment and wiring in poor condition.

It's wise to have an emergency plan ready for your workplace. Take the time to develop one and practice it regularly.

### ARSON PREVENTION CHECKLIST

Are the parking lots and entrances to your building well illuminated?
Are the doors and windows locked?
Does the exterior landscaping provide hiding places for arsonists and flammables, or is it kept well trimmed?
Are smoke alarms installed and regularly inspected?
Have you noticed flammables, like oily rags, placed in peculiar places?
Are people hanging around the building at odd times?
Are suspicions reported to supervisors?

## THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- 1. What conditions in our workplace could cause a fire?
- 2. Are we prepared to evacuate the building if a fire breaks out?
- 3. Are there any specific points or problems you wish to discuss?

### FIRE IS PREVENTABLE. LEARN MORE AT GRINNELLMUTUAL.COM.

The information included in this publication and program was obtained from sources believed to be reliable, however Grinnell Mutual makes no guarantee of results and assumes no liability in connection with its use. It is the user's responsibility to comply with any applicable regulations or laws. Information obtained from or via Grinnell Mutual should not be used as the basis for legal advice, but should be confirmed with alternative sources. Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company, Grinnell Mutual, and coordinating logos or marks are registered trademarks of Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company, 2019.

