

## **INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE:**

It is a requirement of the OSH Act that all CO2's extinguishers must be maintained in accordance with the Manufacturers specifications and **SANS 1475**.

INSPECTION is a quick test to ascertain that the CO2 extinguisher is working. Check the discharge hose and horn are not obstructed. Weigh the unit to ensure the CO2 gas has not been released.

MAINTENANCE of **CENTA** CO2 Fire extinguishers must be carried out in accordance with the procedures as laid out in **SANS 1475**.

### SERVICING PROCEDURE:

Servicing **CENTA** products may only be undertaken by registered **SAQCC-Fire 1475** competent persons, who are employed by an **SANS 1475** approved company. Servicing and servicing intervals must comply with **SANS 1475**.

#### **SERVICING TIPS:**

- It is recommended a monthly weight check is carried out on CO2 units to ensure the charge is still in the unit.
- 2. Refill a CO2 extinguisher even after partial discharge.
- **3.** Never allow the valve thread to cross-thread with the cylinder thread.
- **4.** Use thread tape and NOT Loctite on the valve thread.
- 5. When working on a CO2 fire extinguisher never point the discharge horn towards yourself or any other person.

#### WARNING:

Safety glasses should be worn when operating a CO2 unit

#### **TOOL REQUIREMENTS:**

The following tools will assist in the productive servicing of **CENTA** CO2 fire extinguishers:

- Valve spanner removes the valve from the cylinder
- No 10 spanner removes the burst disc cap
- No 27 spanner removes the hose connector



# **FIRE EXTINGUISHER**

## 5.0 KG CO2 - Light Alloy (El0550)



## SPECIFICATIONS:

Height (mm):	752
Diameter (mm):	130
Mass Empty (kg):	9.00
Mass Full (kg):	14.00
Medium:	CO2
Charge:	5
Discharge distance (m):	4
Working pressure (kPa):	60 Bar at 20°C
Filling Ratio:	65%
Paint coating:	Heavy Duty Powder Coating
Compliance:	SANS 1567

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# **EXTINGUISHER MAINTENANCE INTERVALS**

			MAINTENANCE INTERVALS		
TYPE	CONTAINER MATERIAL	STORED PRESSURE OPERATION	MAINTENANCE (years)	INTERNAL INSPECTION & PRESSURE TEST (years)	
Dry	MS	SP	1	5	
powder	SS	SP	1	5	
Water	MS	SP	1	5	
	SS	SP	1	5	
Feem	MS	SP	1	5	
Foam	SS	SP	1	5	
CO2	AL	SP	1	10 *	
	CrMo	SP	1	10 *	

## \* PRESSURE TEST INTERVALS FOR CO2 EXTINGUISHERS

All CO2 Fire Extinguishers manufactured **prior to the year 2000** shall be pressure tested at **5 year intervals**, until they have been tested by an approved test station (refer to **SANS 10019**), thereafter the intervals will be **10 years**.

## **TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE**

## WARNING:

Repairs must never be conducted on a CO2 Fire extinguisher, until the internal pressure has been released.

PROBLEM	CORRECTIVE ACTION		
UNIT LOOSING PRESSURE	CHECK: •Valve for leak •Neck ring connection for leak		
VALVE LEAK	CHECK: •Valve for leak •Neck ring connection for leak		
NECK RING LEAK	<ul> <li>Release gas</li> <li>Remove valve</li> <li>Clean threaded area and wrap new threaded tape around threads.</li> <li>Replace the valve with a torque of 15Nm</li> </ul>		