8.1.4 Fire-fighting equipment

8.1.4.1 The following table shows the minimum provisions for portable fire extinguishers for the inflammability Classes¹ A, B and C that apply to transport units carrying dangerous goods except for those referred to in 8.1.4.2:

(1) Transport unit maximum permissible mass	(2) Minimum number of fire extinguishers	(3) Minimum total capacity per transport unit		(5) Additional extinguisher(s) requirement. At least one extinguisher shall have a minimum capacity of:
< 3.5 tonnes	2	4 kg	2 kg	2 kg
> 3.5 tonnes ≤ 7.5 tonnes	2	8 kg	2 kg	6 kg
>7.5 tonnes	2	12 kg	2 kg	6 kg

The capacities are for dry powder devices (or an equivalent capacity for any other suitable extinguishing agent).

- 8.1.4.2 Transport units carrying dangerous goods in accordance with 1.1.3.6 shall be equipped with one portable fire extinguisher for the inflammability classes¹ A. B and C. with a minimum capacity of 2 kg dry powder (or an equivalent capacity for any other suitable extinguishing agent).
- 8.1.4.3 The portable fire extinguishers shall be suitable for use on a vehicle and shall comply with the relevant requirements of EN 3 Portable fire extinguishers, Part 7 (EN 3-7:2004 + A1:2007).

If the vehicle is equipped with a fixed fire extinguisher, automatic or easily brought into action for fighting a fire in the engine, the portable extinguisher need not be suitable for fighting a fire in the engine. The extinguishing agents shall be such that they are not liable to release toxic gases into the driver's cab or under the influence of the heat of the fire.

8.1.4.4 The portable fire extinguishers conforming to the provisions of 8.1.4.1 or 8.1.4.2 shall be fitted with a seal which allows verifying that they have not been used.

The fire extinguishers shall be subjected to inspections in accordance with authorized national standards in order to guarantee their functional safety. They shall bear a mark of compliance with a standard recognized by a competent authority and a mark indicating the date (month, year) of the next inspection or of the maximum permissible period of use, as applicable.

8.1.4.5 The fire extinguishers shall be installed on the transport units in a way that they are easily accessible to the vehicle crew. The installation shall be carried out in such a way that the fire extinguishers shall be protected against effects of the weather so that their operational safety is not affected. During carriage, the date required in 8.1.4.4 shall not have expired.

8.1.5 Miscellaneous equipment and equipment for personal protection

8.1.5.1 Each transport unit carrying dangerous goods shall be provided with items of equipment for general and personal protection in accordance with 8.1.5.2. The items of equipment shall be selected in accordance with the danger label number of the goods loaded. The label numbers can be identified through the transport document.

For the definition of the inflammability classes, see Standard EN 2:1992 + A1:2004 Classification of fires.

8.1.5.2 The following equipment shall be carried on board the transport unit:

- For each vehicle, a wheel chock of a size suited to the maximum mass of the vehicle and to the diameter of the wheel;
- Two self-standing warning signs:
- Eye rinsing liquid²; and

for each member of the vehicle crew

- A warning vest (e.g. as described in the EN ISO 20471 standard);
- Portable lighting apparatus conforming to the provisions of 8.3.4;
- A pair of protective gloves: and
- Eye protection (e.g. protective goggles).

8.1.5.3 Additional equipment required for certain classes:

- An emergency escape mask³ for each member of the vehicle crew shall be carried on board the transport unit for danger label numbers 2.3 or 6.1;
- A shovel4;
- A drain seal4;
- A collecting container⁴.

Not required for danger label numbers 1, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3.

For example an emergency escape mask with a combined gas/dust filter of the AIBIE1K1-P1 or A2B2E2K2-P2 type which is similar to that described in the EN 14387:2004 + A1:2008 standard.

Only required for solids and liquids with danger label numbers 3, 4.1, 4.3, 8 or 9.