

ASBESTOS GLOVES

1. GENERAL

1.01 The asbestos glove is used for extinguishing small fires in telephone equipment and for snuffing out small quantities of glowing embers after the flames have been smothered with a carbon dioxide extinguisher. Gloves should be employed only where it is reasonably certain that they will be adequate as compared to using gas or water.

1.02 Gloves are not intended to protect the hands in handling the carbon dioxide extinguisher and should not be used for this purpose.

2. DESCRIPTION

2.01 The glove consists of a 20-inch asbestos gauntlet having three fingers and two thumbs. It is large enough for any hand and arm, and having two thumbs it can be used on either hand without loss of time in arranging a proper fit. See Fig. 1.

2.02 Two gloves comprise a set and are kept in a metal container having a metal ring attached to a hinged cover on the

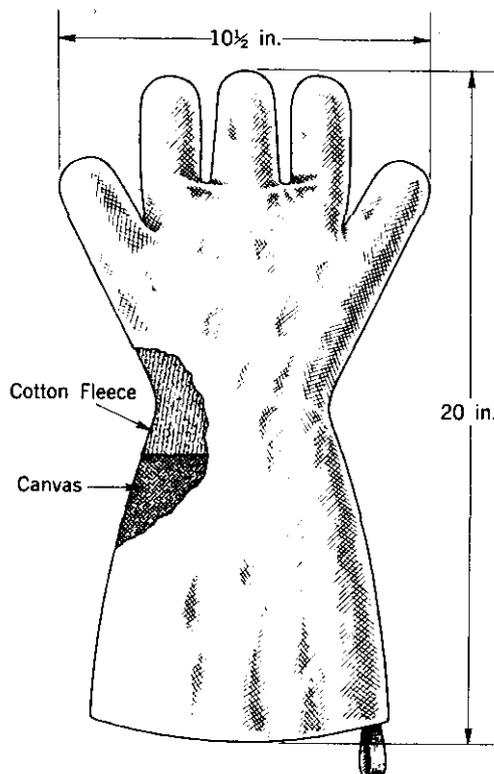


Fig. 1.

bottom which is pulled down in order to grasp the gloves. The glove container is designed for attachment to the mounting bracket of the carbon dioxide extinguisher and is perforated at four points so that it may be seen whether the gloves are in place.

3. MOUNTING

3.01 Gloves should be mounted as shown by Fig. 2.

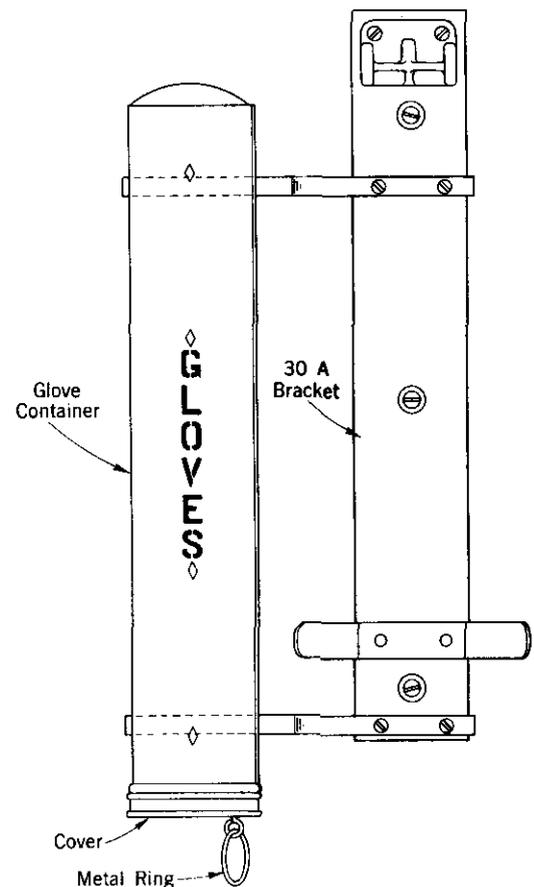


Fig. 2.

4. METHOD OF USING

4.01 To use the gloves, proceed as follows:

- (1) Remove gloves from container and carry to fire.
- (2) In most cases small fires should be extinguished with the carbon dioxide extinguisher. When gloves are to

be used, place one on each hand and snuff out fire. Gloves may also be used to prevent the spread of fire by putting them in the path of the flames.

(3) Do not use gloves on fires involving live electrical equipment such as power boards, power plant apparatus or elevator machinery.

(4) Return gloves to container after use if they are in suitable condition.

5. MAINTENANCE

(A) Inspection

5.01 Gloves and container should be inspected at intervals for the following items:

- (1) Container cover opens freely.
- (2) Gloves should be removed from container, inspected and returned with fingers up. They should be loose enough to be easily removed.
- (3) Container finish is in good condition. Container should be painted if required.
- (4) Mounting bracket is securely fastened.