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- Is the visibility OK, and is it easy to breathe?

If no or if there is any doubt about your safety, evacuate immediately.

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- S: Sweep the nozzle side to side at the base of the fire until extinguished.
- Watch fire. If it reignites, repeat steps 2-4.
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