



# Industry News Update

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## Bi-National Standards

Several years ago UL and ULC agreed to harmonize the test standards for fire extinguishers and fire testing of extinguishers in an effort to eliminate the confusion over the ratings for extinguishers listed with either a UL listing, or a ULC (Canadian) listing.

It was determined that all manufacturers were to retest to the new standards so that both the UL and ULC rating were consistent and one test program would result in a dual listing for the manufacturer.

Amerex completed this compliance testing last year. Effective with the new 2011 nameplates, all Amerex extinguishers now comply with the new bi-national standards. The chart below highlights only those extinguishers that have new or different ratings.

| <b>MODEL</b> | <b>Description</b>       | <b>Present UL Listing</b> | <b>New UL Listing</b> |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| A411         | 20# ABC                  | 20A:120B:C                | 10A:120B:C            |
| 423          | 20# ABC                  | 20A:120B:C                | 10A:120B:C            |
| 564          | 20# ABC High Performance | 20A:120B:C                | 10A:120B:C            |
| 589          | 30# ABC High Performance | 20A:160B:C                | 10A:160B:C            |
| 495          | 50# ABC Wheeled          | 30A:160B:C                | 20A:160B:C            |
| 450          | 125# ABC Wheeled         | 40A:240B:C                | 30A:240B:C            |
| 467          | 125# ABC Wheeled         | 40A:240B:C                | 30A:240B:C            |
| 470          | 125# ABC Wheeled         | 40A:240B:C                | 30A:240B:C            |
| 488          | 125# ABC Wheeled         | 40A:240B:C                | 30A:240B:C            |

Please note that no other Amerex models are affected to the extent of new or different ratings by the change to bi-national standards.

**This change is mandated to take effect on February 14, 2011.**