



Fire Protection Training

Procedures Handbook 4300

HOSE

TOPIC: How To Couple Hose, Between-The-Feet Method-One Person

TIME FRAME: 15 Minutes

LEVEL OF INSTRUCTION:

BEHAVIORAL OBJECTIVE:

Condition: One length of hose with male and female coupling

Behavior: The student will couple hose using a one person, between-the-feet method under simulated fireground conditions.

Standard: With a minimum of 70% accuracy within 30 seconds

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Stop watch
- Performance examination
- One section of hose per student

REFERENCES:

- IFSTA, Hose Practices, 7th Edition, Chapter 4, Basic Methods of Handling Hose

PREPARATION: The effective use of hose lines is the very foundation of a Firefighter's work. It is critical that you comprehend and perform all hose work automatically and with precision. (Cite real life situations where incorrectly coupled hose caused injury or embarrassment to a fire department.)

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OPERATIONS

KEY POINTS

- | OPERATIONS | KEY POINTS |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 1. Take position | 1a. At couplings |
| 2. Cradle male coupling | 2a. Between both feet
b. Propping threads up |
| 3. Grasp the female coupling | 3a. Working hand on coupling swivel
b. Free hand behind the coupling |
| 4. Inspect coupling | 4a. Gasket
b. Threads
c. Shape
d. Obstructions
e. Higbee indicators |
| 5. Bring two couplings together | 5a. Align higbee
b. Female coupling down over
upturned male coupling |
| 6. Tighten coupling | 6a. Swivel counter clockwise until click is
heard
b. Swivel clockwise until hand tight |
| 7. Lay hose and coupling | 7a. On ground
b. Gently |



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APPLICATION:

Student to practice until proficient.

EVALUATION:

A performance examination.

ASSIGNMENT:

To be determined by instructor(s).

Performance Examination

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	<u>POINTS</u>
TIME START	
1. Take position near the couplings	___ 10
2. Cradle male coupling between both feet, propping the threads upward	___ 15
3. Grasp the female coupling with the working hand	___ 10
4. Inspect coupling for gasket, threads, round shape and obstructions	___ 20
5. Bring couplings together by lowering female coupling over the male coupling	___ 20
6. Tighten coupling by swiveling counter clockwise until click is heard and then clockwise until hand tight	___ 15
7. Lay hose on ground gently	___ 10

TIME STOP

ENTER TOTAL TIME: _____:

POINTS POSSIBLE: _____ 100

POINTS DEDUCTED: _____

FINAL SCORE: _____

EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

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COMMENTS:
