



# Fire Protection Training

Procedures Handbook 4300

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**TOPIC:** How To Handle A 2 1/2" Attack Line - Two Person

**TIME FRAME:** 30 Minutes

**LEVEL OF INSTRUCTION:**

**BEHAVIORAL OBJECTIVE:**

*Condition:* Two lengths of 2-1/2" charged hose, with a nozzle, preconnected to an engine

*Behavior:* The student will demonstrate the proper method of handling an attack line and supervise the actions of an assistant under simulated fire conditions.

*Standard:* With a minimum of 70% accuracy

**MATERIALS NEEDED:**

- Two lengths of 2 1/2" charged hose with an attached nozzle
- Preconnected to an engine
- Performance examination
- One assistant
- Red pen
- Clipboard

**REFERENCES:**

- IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting, 2nd Edition, Chapter 10
- IFSTA, Hose Practices, 7th Edition, Chapter 4

**PREPARATION:**

Advancing 2 1/2" charged hose lines into a fire must be done in a quick and safe manner. For this to occur, firefighters must be knowledgeable about the tasks to be performed, then must execute the evolution as a well coordinated team. Anything less may result in serious injury or significant property damage.

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HOW TO HANDLE A 2 1/2 ATTACK  
LINE-TWO PERSON

## OPERATIONS

## KEY POINTS

1. Take position

1a. Both firefighters on same side of hose

b. Facing nozzle

2. Pick up nozzle

2a. Nozzle person

b. One hand on nozzle

c. Other hand comfortable distance from nozzle on hose

d. Palm up

e. Use legs to lift

3. Position nozzle

3a. Nozzle person

b. Hose close to body under arm and across the hip

c. Hose at waist height

d. Use rope, hose tool, or hose strap if available

e. Keep feet spread for balance

f. Keep one hand on bale of nozzle

4. Pick up hose

4a. Assistant

b. Simultaneously with nozzle person

c. Arms length behind nozzle person

d. On same side of hose

e. Grasp hose forward, hand palm down, other hand palm up

f. Hose at waist level

5. Position hose

5a. Assistant

b. Hose held against hip

c. Adjust elevation to keep pressure off nozzle person

d. Use rope, hose tool, or strap if available

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6. Operate hoseline

- e. Keep feet spread for balance
- f. Keep hose straight behind nozzle person
- 6a. Open nozzle slowly



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HOW TO HANDLE A 2 ½ ATTACK  
LINE-TWO PERSON

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## ***APPLICATION:***

The student will practice until proficient.

## ***EVALUATION:***

A performance examination.

## ***ASSIGNMENT:***

To be determined by instructor(s).

# Performance Examination

HOW TO HANDLE A 2 ½ ATTACK  
LINE-TWO PERSON

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|  | <b><u>POINTS</u></b> |
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| 1. Both firefighters take position on same side of hose and at least an arms length apart.   | <u>5</u>             |
| 2. Nozzle person picks up nozzle and hose with hand on nozzle controlling the bale and other hand on hose with the palm up.                          | <u>20</u>            |
| 3. Nozzle person keeps hose close to the body, at waist height using a hose tool, strap or rope if available.  | <u>15</u>            |
| 4. Assistant picks up hose simultaneously with nozzle person using the legs not the back.  | <u>15</u>            |
| 5. Assistant supports the hose weight with forward palm positioned palm down on top of the hose and the rearward palm positioned palm up.            | <u>15</u>            |
| 6. Assistant is to adjust hose elevation and alignment to take pressure off nozzle person. Hose should be as straight as possible behind the nozzle. | <u>20</u>            |
| 7. Nozzle person opens nozzle slowly and directs stream at simulated fire.   | <u>10</u>            |

**POINTS POSSIBLE:** 100

**POINTS DEDUCTED:**

**FINAL SCORE:**

**EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE:**

**DATE:**

**COMMENTS:**

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