



Fire Protection Training

Procedures Handbook 4300

HOSE

TOPIC: Retrieving A Charged "Wild Hose Line"

TIME FRAME: 30 Minutes

LEVEL OF INSTRUCTION:

BEHAVIORAL OBJECTIVE:

Condition: A written quiz

Behavior: The student shall identify the proper procedure to retrieve a charged wild hose line.

Standard: With a minimum of 100% accuracy

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Hose
- Water supply
- Nozzle
- All safety clothing

REFERENCES:

- IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting, 2nd Edition, Chapter 10

PREPARATION: One of the most dangerous situations that a firefighter can face is a charged open butt, broken line or unstaffed nozzle. The wild end will shift back-and-forth and up-and-down. The action the line will take is impossible to predetermine. Firefighters and bystanders may be seriously injured should they be hit by the uncontrolled whipping end.



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PRESENTATION	APPLICATION
<p>I. SAFEST METHOD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. First Look to Closing a Valve to Shut Off Flow of WaterB. Hose Clamp Can Be Used When No One Is in Immediate Danger <p>II. IMMEDIATE CONTROL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Firefighter Must Be in Full Protective Clothing.B. Fall Upon the Wild Line with, Head Toward Butt or Nozzle, Body Extended, Approximately 30-40 Feet from Butt or Nozzle.C. Begin to Advance with a Sliding, Crawling Motion Toward the Wild End.D. One Arm Must Be Extended in Front to Its Fullest at All Times.E. Keep Head Down to Protect Face; Face Shield Down. <p>III. EXTREME CAUTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Caution Must Be Taken the Last Few Feet to Avoid Injury to the Firefighter.B. The Whip of the Line Gets Stronger the Closer the Firefighter Gets to the Wild End.	<p>What is the safest way to shut off the supply of water?</p> <p>What safety precaution must be taken prior to attempting control of a "Wild Line"?</p>



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- C. When the Wild End is Reached, Pin the End to the Ground Until the Flow Can Be Shut Off.

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SUMMARY:

This information and exercise should not be taken lightly as a wild line is an extremely dangerous problem. The force generated by such a line can severely damage equipment and kill people.

EVALUATION:

A written quiz.

ASSIGNMENT:

To be determined by instructor(s).