

Hoseline Safety

Safety Related Observations and Actions While: Crews are Operating / Advancing Hoselines



Safety Concerns

- High nozzle reaction
- Operating nozzles/streams in the collapse zone
- Inadequate gallon per minute application into fire
- No back-up or improperly positioned back-up persons
- No back-up line in place
- Kinks in lines affecting gpm or pressure
- Not enough line fed into fire area
- Stream application into wrong location
- Not monitoring conditions around advancing hose team
- Not enough manpower on line for advancement
- Traffic hazards near hose lines
- Operating in or around electrical hazards
- Failure to use safety equipment such as lug locks on large diameter hose
- Overloading of fire building with water
- Over pressurization of a hose line
- Streams applied from exterior while crews operate on the interior
- Advancing a hoseline up a ladder
- Master stream use; portable, fixed, aerial
- Hoisting hoselines with a rope to elevated areas



What is a Close-Call that you have witnessed while operating a hose line or advancing a hose line?