

Hose Lead-Out Drill

Lead-Out Initial Attack Line

Objective: Develop skills necessary to place an initial attack line into operation in a smooth and effective manner.

Overview: It is well known that the success of many initial attack operations ranging from car fires to structure fires relates to how effectively the engine company is able to lead-out the attack line. This drill will emphasize these skills in order to improve our efficiency.

Drill Instructions

1. Instructor will determine the initial attack line(s) that will be used for this session.
2. Give members instructions on department procedure for pulling line and leading out.
3. Identify an objective such as a doorway or other area to simulate fire area.
4. Identify protective equipment required for this operation and instruct members on proper use.
5. At instructors order, deploy attack handline(s) to objective area using the number of members who would normally be assigned to that operation
6. Using stopwatch, time the length of each trial of this drill until a satisfactory time is reached by the crew.
7. Rebed hose as instructed.
8. Review crew performance.
9. Repeat as necessary.



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Avoid this by training on your initial attack Operation.