

# *Grant County Fire Protection District 3*

## **POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

### **TACTICAL ACTION GUIDELINES**

1. NUMBER: 9.1.4
2. SUBJECT: *Hose Care*
3. POLICY: It is the District's policy that all hose shall be maintained in a manner that is consistent with NFPA standards.
4. SCOPE: This Policy and Procedure is applicable to all personnel of Grant County Fire District 3.
5. RESPONSIBILITIES:
  - A. It shall be the responsibility of the District Fire Chief or designee to enforce this Policy and Procedure.
6. PROCEDURE:
  - A. Hose carried on apparatus shall be securely coupled and orderly in arrangement. Unless unavoidable hose shall not be allowed to remain on apparatus in a dirty or wet condition in excess of 24 hours. Except hose so constructed that the condition does not cause harm.
  - B. Special care shall be exercised to see that fitted gaskets are in hose and that those which have become deteriorated are replaced.
  - C. Hose shall be replaced on apparatus as soon as possible after emergencies and drills.
  - D. Hose shall be carried, not dragged, to points of concentration as a protective measure. When "breaking" hose lines inside of buildings, care shall be exercised to see that water damage is kept to an absolute minimum.
  - E. All hose shall have water run through it at least once every year, and service tested to the NFPA 1961 standard.

- F. The use of oil on threads and swivels of hose is prohibited.
- G. Hose rolled for repair shall be rolled with the female coupling forming the core, tagged stating necessary repairs and tied.
- H. A change of hose position shall be made on all apparatus every twelve (12) months. Hose used at fires should be washed and cleaned before being put back in service.