

## West Valley Regional Fire Training



### **DEPLOYING THE HIGH RISE HOSE PACKS**

- 1. Officer identifies the drop point (floor below) where the standpipe connection will be made
- 2. Appropriate amount of hose is positioned on floor in an orderly fashion (all male/female couplings in one direction)
- 3. Straps are removed, lengths are connected, and the stretch can begin
- 4. 2 basic methods for stretching the High-Rise Packs:
  - Apartment Stretch
  - Stairwell Stretch

#### **Apartment Stretch**

If a fire is contained to a single apartment in a high rise multiple-dwelling and the apartment door is closed an intact (no smoke in the public hallway) the line may be stretched dry to the apartment door.

- 1. The Apartment Stretch begins at the floor below, after the appropriate stairwell has been designated by the Officer in charge of fire attack, and conditions in the public hallway have been evaluated.
- 2. After determining the appropriate length, and connecting the hose, members begin the stretch to the fire apartment.
- 3. The nozzle length is taken to a drop point in the public hallway adjacent to the fire apartment door.
  - From this point members identify the midpoint of the lead length (4" red stripe) and fully stretch the hose out away from the fire apartment.
  - The hose should be flaked to the outside of the hallway or opening to prevent kinks.
  - The hose may be stretched opposite the direction of the supply or utilize an apartment opposite the unit on fire.
  - The result is a U-type configuration.
- 4. All other lengths should be fully stretched out in the attack stair and on the floor below, preventing kinks and subsequent loss of water volume and pressure.

#### **Stairwell Stretch**

When fire is not confined to a single apartment or the public hallway has at all been compromised, the attack line will have to be charged in the stairwell, prior to advancing on the fire floor.

- 1. The Stairwell Stretch begins at the floor below, after the appropriate stairwell has been designated by the Officer in charge of fire attack, and conditions in the public hallway have been evaluated.
- 2. After determining the appropriate length, and connecting the hose, members begin the stretch to the fire floor landing.
- 3. The nozzle length is taken to a drop point on or slightly above the landing to the fire floor.

<sup>\*</sup> The Officer must evaluate the condition of the public hallway to determine the type of stretch that will be used.

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From this point members identify the midpoint of the lead length (4" red stripe) and further stairwell above the fire floor landing.

- The hose should be flaked to the outside to the stairwell to prevent kinks.
- A member must remain on this upper landing until the hose is charged to prevent the weight of a charged hoseline from bringing the hose down the stairs.
- 4. The remainder of the hose should be fully stretched in the stairwell and out onto the floor below, preventing kinks and subsequent loss of water volume and pressure.

