EXTEND A HIGH RISE PACK

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Purpose:  The purpose of this standard is to increase the firefighter’s ability to extend a hose line during a high rise operation. The firefighter shall be given a high rise pack to deploy and then extend by one fifty foot section. All members of the crew should be proficient in their responsibilities as well as understand the duties of the other crew members. This understanding will allow them to function better as a team and enable members to function in different capacities within the crew.

Performance Outcome:  Firefighters will be able to select, deploy, and extend a high rise pack for use in emergency situations. This evolution shall be completed while wearing appropriate PPE for the given situation. There are no established timeframes for these evolutions as the specific props or course may be adjusted to fit the needs of the company. Note: this evolution may be adjusted by the company officer to fit the need of his/her specific crew members.

Materials Required:  High Rise Pack
Extra Hose
Note: It is the discretion of the company officer what props and configuration are utilized for this company skill.

Critical Teaching Points:
1. The company officer should demonstrate the skills and techniques for extending a hose based on the given situation:
   a. Should hose be extended from standpipe?
   b. Should hose be extended from nozzle?
2. The company officer should reinforce the techniques utilized by Rogers Fire Department these techniques are standardized and should be utilized.
3. Communication between nozzleman and person controlling standpipe is crucial.
4. The company should discuss the time required to extend hose, and how that affects the safety of the crew.

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1. Bring additional sections of hose as needed.
2. Have firefighters extend hose until it is completely stretched to its limits.
3. Call for hose line to be shut down.
4. Open nozzle to relieve pressure.
5. Remove nozzle.
6. Add the new section(s) of hose and reattach the nozzle.

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7. Call for the line to be recharged.
8. Bleed air from the hose.
9. All tasks should be completed with a sense of urgency.