

**Beaumont Fire-Rescue Services**

**PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS**

402.09L

**Perform an Annual Fire Hose Test**

**Discipline:** Hose  
**Effective:** 1/1/2001  
**Revised:** 12/5/2012 RENUMBERED  
**Replaces:** FF Benchmark #72; PB 402.09O

*Anne Huff, Fire Chief*

**I. Objective**

The firefighter, given the necessary equipment, shall perform an annual fire hose test.

**II. Instructions – Procedures for Achieving the Objective**

You shall demonstrate the proper method of service testing fire hose. You will be required to verbalize key steps while performing this skill. You will begin on my instruction to start. The skill will end when you state to me that you have completed all of the identified steps. Do you understand these instructions?

**III. Examiner's Note**

- A. The firefighter shall begin with the hose rolled and stacked.
- B. The firefighter will not be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of testing.

**IV. Preparation & Equipment**

- A. 300' of 1-<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" or larger hose
- B. Spanners (2)
- C. Nozzle for size hose or gated valve
- D. Pen to mark hose (may simulate marking)
- E. Rope, rope hose tool, or hose trap
- F. The firefighter shall wear boots and helmet.

**V. Reference Sources**

- A. TCFP, Performance Standards, Section 156-1.02.
- B. NFPA, National Fire Protection Association 1001, 4-5.3(a).
- C. IFSTA Hose Practice, 7<sup>th</sup> edition, pages 48-52.

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Name:	Officer #:
Evaluator:	Officer #:
Date:	Location:

**If the firefighter:**

**(No partial points given)**

- a) Keeps a written record of the test..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Visually inspects the hose for damage ..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Checks all gaskets ..... 2.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- d) Connects no lines longer than 300 feet (suggests a gate valve with  
1/4" hole to prevent hose whip as a safety precaution) (Nozzle can  
be used)..... 2.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- e) Attaches safety rope, hose tool, or hose strap to test hose, then attaches  
to discharge pipe or other suitable anchor ..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- f) Runs the pump up to 50 psi pressure slowly and bleeds air from  
the lines ..... 3.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- g) *Verbally states that the hose should be marked behind the coupling* ..... 2.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- h) Checks for leaks and tightens..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- i) Increases the pressure slowly to required test pressure ..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- j) *Verbally states time duration of test (5 minutes)* ..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- k) Decreases the pressure and bleeds lines..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- l) *Verbally states that the hose would be checked for slipped couplings*..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_
- m) *Verbally state that all defective hose would be marked* ..... 1.0 \_\_\_\_\_

Points Possible	Passing Score	Attempt	Performance Rating (Points)	PASS	FAIL
18	14	First			
		Second			