



Tips for efficient hose line advancement:

1. Deploy the attack hoseline, inline with the entrance point, with at least the first 50' of hose looped (U shaped) at the entrance
2. Set fog nozzles on straight stream setting
3. Open nozzle and bleed air out of line, ahead of water
4. Before opening the door to fire room, all firefighters should be positioned on same side of hoseline and on the side of the entrance, while remaining low
5. If fire shows at top of the door as it's opened, the ceiling should be hit with solid or straight stream to cool and control fire gases
6. Stay low upon entering fire area to let heat and gases vent before moving in
7. Sweep floor with stream to cool burning debris and hot surfaces
8. Do not open nozzle until fire can be hit, unless firefighter safety is involved
9. Direct the stream at the base of fire if localized
10. As the advance is made, and the fire and/or rollover is pushed back into the room of origin, the angle of stream should be lowered and an attempt made to hit the main body of fire
11. When the main body of fire knocked down, shut down the nozzle and let the area vent
12. Upon entering an area which is very hot and finding no fire, withdraw immediately and check the area below
13. When attacking a basement fire down interior stairs, straight stream should be used because fog will generate steam

Other Considerations

- 1.** Do not attack the fire from more than one direction to avoid driving heat and fire onto the opposing crew
- 2.** Coordinate ventilation with fire attack to reduce fire spread
- 3.** Ventilate just prior to initiating fire attack to reduce the heat level and provide an avenue for steam escape
- 4.** Do not open the nozzle until you are sure of the location of all crew members and others working in the area, and that no one is in the doorway
- 5.** Knock down the fire and then move in to extinguish hot spots
- 6.** If you cannot see your feet in the smoke, you should be crawling and not standing up
- 7.** Always have an escape plan
- 8.** Try to avoid letting fire cut off your escape route
- 9.** Stay with your crew and officer, and watch out for each other