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## NFPA 1962 Update

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## NFPA 1962 Update



NFPA 1962, 2013 Edition

Standard for the care, use, inspection, Service Testing and Replacement of Fire Hose, Couplings, Nozzles and Fire Hose Appliances.





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**Update** 

New edition contains the latest criteria for the inspection, care, use, service-testing and replacement of:

- Fire hose
- Fire hose couplings
- Fire-fighting nozzles
- · Fire hose and foam appliance

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2013 Edition includes requirements for record-keeping as well as new requirements for a system test of each preconnected hose or any attack line used for interior firefighting operations on a fire apparatus together with its connected nozzle or hose appliance it supplies.

The 2013 edition removed any reference to relay supply and unlined hose as well as requiring hose manufactured prior to July 1987 to be removed from service.





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## How it affects you

In addition to service testing and maintaining records on hose. Fire departments will now need to service test and maintain records for nozzles and appliances.

Appliances: manifolds, intake valves, wyes, siameses, eductors, hydrant valves, etc.





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## Nozzle & Appliance Inspection

After each use wash and inspect, checking for:

- Damage (bent valve handles, bales, missing gaskets, teeth, etc.)
- Obstructions (hose gaskets, water main or drafting debris)
- Functions as designed (valves, bales and bumper cycle freely)
- Functions as designed (valves, bales and bumper cycle freely)
- Test and record the above functions annually

Repair or replace any nozzle or appliance that fails. If repaired, service test per the standard.

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## Nozzle & Appliance Maintenance

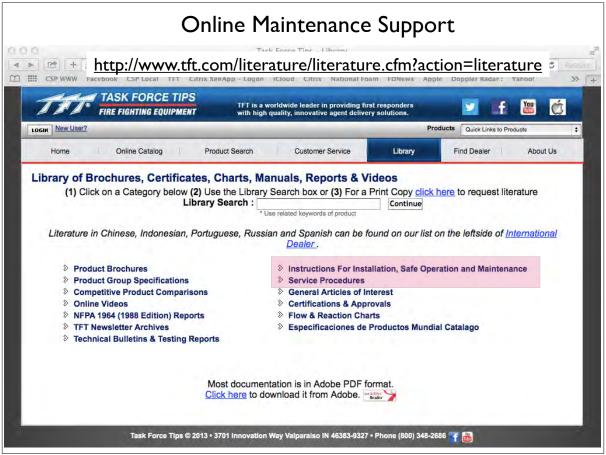
Maintain according to manufacturer's recommendations

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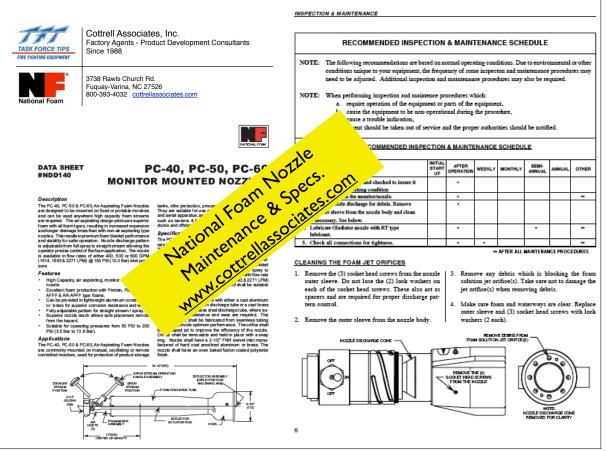








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#### Nozzle Procedures

- Inspect, Maintain Repair
- Hydrostatic Test
- Hydraulic Performance

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## Nozzle Hydrostatic Test

Applies to all nozzles equipped with a shut-off.

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- Test for leaks with bale in off position to 300 psi or 1.5 times mfg's. max. operating pressure, include smooth bore shut-offs.
- Raise to 300 psi at 50 psi increments; hold at each 50 psi increment for 30 seconds. Once at 300 psi, hold for one minute.
- When testing TFT nozzles hold at 450 psi.
- Test all nozzles and appliances annually or after repair





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#### Nozzle Flow Test

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Applies to all adjustable pattern, fixed-flow, adjustable-flow or constant pressure automatic nozzles to include foam and master stream nozzles.



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Base pressure

Flow

#### Nozzle Flow Test

See ch.5 NFPA 1962, 2013 edition

#### Fixed-flow and adjustable-flow nozzle test criteria:

At +/- 2% of rated base nozzle pressure, flow can not be less than or more than 10% of nozzle's rated flow in both spray and straight stream patterns.

Example: nozzle rating is 150 gpm @ 100 psi...

Cannot flow less than 150 or more than 165 gpm at base pressure between 98 and 102 psi.

Recommendation: inspect, clean and lubricate per manufacturer's recommendation prior to testing.





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Base pressure

Flow

#### Nozzle Flow Test

#### Constant Pressure Automatic Nozzle Criteria

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- Bleed air and take to minimum flow rate and record base pressure.
- Slowly increase flow to maximum rating.
- Record minimum and maximum base pressures throughout flow range
- Base pressure shall not be more or less than 15 psi of rated pressure.
- Example: Nozzle flow range, 70 150 gpm @ 100 psi.
- At 70 gpm, base nozzle pressure cannot be less than 85 psi or greater than 115 psi.
- At 150 gpm, base nozzle pressure cannot be less than 85 psi or greater than 115 psi.

Recommendation: inspect, clean and lubricate per manufacturer's recommendation prior to testing.

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#### Test Instrument Recommendations

Reliable (calibrated) pressure gauges are critical. Use gauges with two psi or less increments and a flow meter which has been calibrated against a smooth bore or a weight/time test. Test gauges should be tested against a known proven accurate pressure gauge at three points.

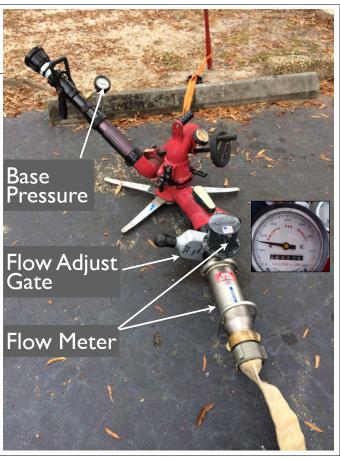
Flow meters should be calibrated against smooth bore nozzles within the flow range of the nozzles to be tested. This is particularly critical when going from hand-held nozzles to master stream nozzles.





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#### Corrective Action

Remove any nozzle from service which fails any part of the test. Repair and replace as necessary.

Retest to the standard after corrective action.





## Keeping Records

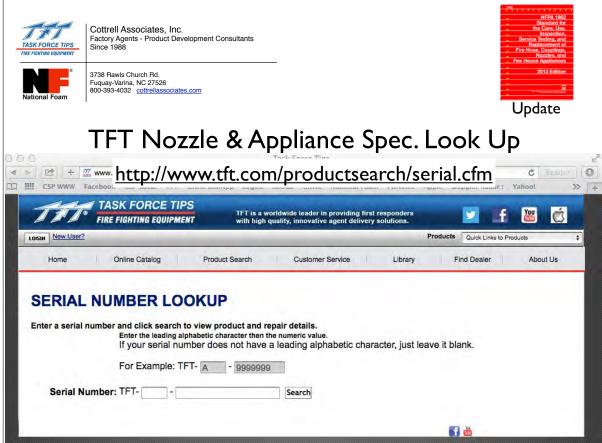
#### **Nozzles And Appliances**

See ch.5 NFPA 1962, 2013 edition

- Permanent ID #
- Manufacturer
- Model
- Vendor
- Warranty limit
- Coupling size

- Max. operating pressure
- GPM rate or flow range
- Date received / in service
- Date of svc. test / results
- Damage / Repairs
- Reason removed from service

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## Appliance Care and Use ch.6 NFPA 1962 - 2013 edition



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## Appliance Inspection

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- Inspect quarterly for:
- Damage / cracks or suspect marks.
- Waterway obstructions
- Components function as designed
- Repair and service test any appliance that fails

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## Appliance Hydrostatic Test

Applies to all appliances except elbows

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- Place appliance in a protective device or cover it with a blast blanket.
- Bleed all air.
- Appliances with valves shall have the intake side tested to manufacturer's maximum operating pressure with valve in closed position.
- Pressure relief valve (PRV) to be removed and tested

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## Appliance Hydrostatic Test

To be conducted annually

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- PRV's to be closed or removed and blanked off.
- Bleed all air.
- Test appliance to 300 psi.
- Raise in 50 psi increments for 30 seconds each.
- Hold for one minute at max test pressure.





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## Appliance Hydrostatic Test

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Appliances with check valves (ie., siamese) which can be pressurized by a valve being closed downstream shall have the outlet side of the check valve tested to manufacturer's maximum operating pressure.

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Appliance Hydrostatic Test **Appliance PRV Test** 

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- Mount PRV to test fixture.
- Bleed all air.
- Set to lowest setting and pressurize.
- PRV should open at or below a pressure 10% higher than the setting.









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## Appliance Records

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- Permanent ID #
- Manufacturer
- Model
- Vendor
- Warranty
- Coupling size

- Max. operating pressure
- GPM rate or range
- Date received / in service
- Date of svc. test / results
- Damage / Repairs
- Reason removed from service.

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## System Tests

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Any attack line used for interior firefighting shall be tested as a system.

- Hose nozzles, or appliances being supplied by attack apparatus.
- Using an in line flow meter, increase pump pressure (PDP) until target flow is reached.
- Verify PDP and flow is consistent with department SOG's.
- If the nozzle/appliance, hose size or length is changed, the system needs to be tested again.





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#### Related Standards

Standards provide manufacturers with performance specifications assuring users that equipment manufactured in accordance with the standard(s) are suitable for firefighter use.

NFPA 1961 - Standard for manufacture of fire hose

NFPA 1964 - Standard for spray nozzles

NFPA 1965 - Standard for fire hose appliances

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#### NFPA 1964 - Standard for Spray Nozzles

Operational Design Requirements - chapter 4 / flow rates, pattern, controls.

Construction Materials - chapter 5 / hydrostatic strength.

Test Methods - chapter 6 / flow test, hydrostatic test, flush test.





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#### NFPA 1965 - Standard for Fire Hose Appliances

Operational Design Requirements - chapter 4 / max. operating pressures / relief valves.

Construction Materials - chapter 5 hydrostatic strength

Test Methods - chapter 6 / hydrostatic test and force requirements.

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