RACK AND REEL FIRE HOSE INSURE DEPENDABILITY

- Replace all existing unlined linen hose installations with lined fire hose, per OSHA 1910.158.

  **Unlined Linen Fire Hose - Reasons to Replace**
  Unlined linen hose does not meet OSHA 1910.158 criteria.
  - Too much friction loss.
  - Subject to excessive physical deterioration.
  - Last legal installation, 1981.

  Unlined linen hose does not meet NFPA 14 recommendation for all installations to be equipped with lined fire hose.

  Unlined linen hose is no longer dependable.
  - Severely affected by mildew and rot.
  - Incapable of annual testing.

  Unlined linen hose cannot meet NFPA 25 recommendations for inspections, testing, and maintenance.

- Replace all unlined linen fire hose installations with an approved lined fire hose and listed semi-automatic storage device.

- Inspect, test, and maintain lined fire hose installations in accordance with NFPA Pamphlet 25.

- Insure that lined fire hose is installed on a listed semi-automatic storage device per UL 47.

- Provide Instructions and training to facilitate ease of operation by designated employees or occupants, per OSHA 1910.158.

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