

INFORMATION SHEET



Fire Hose Reels



Fire hose reels are used to supplement fire extinguishers. They are designed to be used to extinguish a small wood/paper based fire or to contain a fire while an area is being evacuated. They should not be used on fires involving electricity, cooking fats, or petrol/oil.

Installation of a fire hose reels is typically required in buildings greater than 500 square metres. Fire hose reels should be located within 4 metres of an exit from the building and be no further than 40 metres from any part of the building.

Work Health & Safety Australia Consultancy is please to offer a review of the workplace and provide advice on the type and location of suitable fire hose reels to meet the needs of your particular work environment. Our experts will provide ongoing support to ensure the appropriateness of all fire equipment and provide regular maintenance and testing as per Australian Standards.

The minimum maintenance requirements are:

- 6 monthly test
- Annual test where the hose is fully unwound and water flow readings are taken

Work Health & Safety Australia Consultancy employs expert personnel in the testing of fire hose reels. Please contact us for further information or to schedule an appointment for a quotation.

(1) Building Code of Australia (BCA), 2009 Building area includes the whole building unless the building is divided by fire rated walls.

(2) Australian Standard 2441 Installation of fire hose reels, 2005

(3) Australian Standard 1851 - 2012, Section 9 - Routine service of fire protection systems & equipment - Fire hose reels

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