

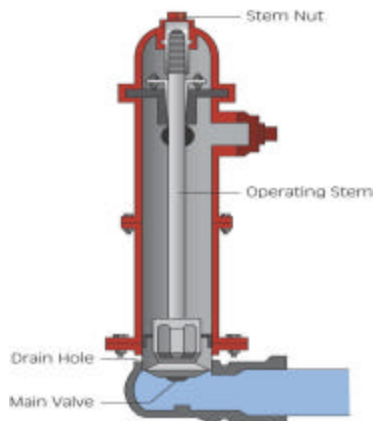
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Hydrant Hook-up

Task

(Minimum Standard)
Complete hydrant hook-up using soft sleeve suction in under 2 minutes.

(Highly Skilled Level)
Perform hook-up operation in 1:30 or less.



Skill Tips

- Check hydrant and flush prior to making connections
- Consider 2 1/2" ball valve or other appliance to supplement and control hydrant operation
 - Make sure discharge end of hose is connected
 - Straighten out any kinks in the line

Application

Hydrant hook-ups are considered a bread and butter task for firefighters learned in basic training. Establishing a fast positive water supply is also essential to a smooth and safe fireground operation.

Review trouble shooting with hydrant operations for water main breaks, frozen hydrants or dead mains in your training.

Competency

A smooth transition between tank water and a pressurized source is a key safety behavior.

Use caution when opening/closing to protect water main.

