

Flat Load Clinic – Hose Deployment Methods:

Triple Pull

- 66' to the drop
- Straight pull, no obstacles
- Grab the nozzle and bottom right loop and walk to the drop
(There was some question at drill about the bottom right loop. The loop you want is the second loop made in the load.)

Split Pull

- Less than 66' to the drop (no room to stretch a triple)
- Straight pull, no obstacles
- You need all 200' of hose to fight the fire
- Needs two people
- You grab the nozzle and the top loops, your buddy grabs the bottom loops, you walk in opposite directions. Your buddy brings you the hose he stretched after it's done.

Inverted Minuteman

- Longer than 66'
- Obstacles, stairs, not a straight pull
- Grab the bottom loops, pull to your waist, invert the load on your shoulder, walk to the drop. Hose pays off your shoulder as you walk.

Quick Connect

- Longer than 200'
- Needs two people
- You do an inverted minuteman with the first 200' crosslay.
- Your buddy disconnects the nozzle from the second crosslay, and connects that crosslay to the end of your hose. They then do an inverted minuteman and now you're each carrying 200' of hose.
- Walk it out flaking off the shoulder as you walk

Take & Break

- You know you don't need 200' of hose. Maybe you need 100'.
- You pull the nozzle and top two loops which is 100'
- The pump operator disconnects your hose from the rest of the crosslay and connects it to the pump outlet on the side of the truck.