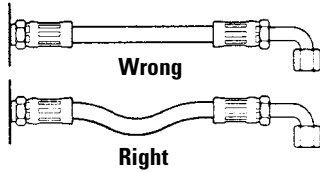


Hose Installation

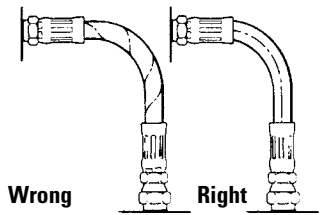
1. Provide for length change.

In straight hose installations, allow enough slack in the hose line to provide for changes in length that will occur when pressure is applied. This change in length can be from +2% to -4%.



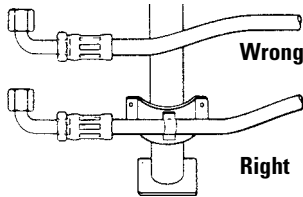
2. Avoid twisting and orient properly.

Do not twist hose during installation. This can be determined by the printed layline on the hose. Pressure applied to a twisted hose can cause hose failure or loosening of connections.



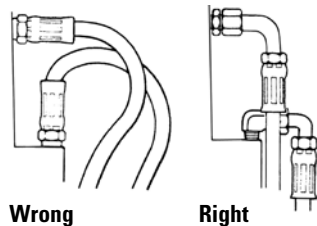
3. Protect from hazardous environment.

Keep hose away from hot parts. High ambient temperature will shorten hose life. If you can not route it away from the heat source, insulate it. (See Spring Guards page M-2.)



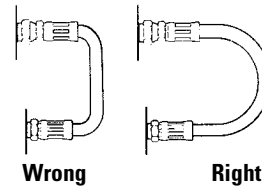
4. Avoid mechanical strain.

Use elbows and adapters in the installation to relieve strain on the assembly and to provide easier and neater installations that are accessible for inspection and maintenance.



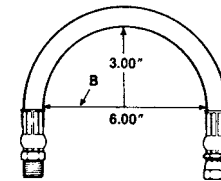
5. Use proper bend radius.

Keep the bend radius of the hose as large as possible to avoid collapsing of the hose and restriction of flow. Follow catalog specs on minimum bend radii.



6. Use proper bend radius (cont'd).

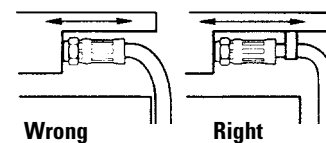
Minimum bend radius is measured on the inside bend of the hose. To determine minimum bend, divide the total distance between ends (B length) by 2. For example, B=6, minimum bend radius=3.



7. Secure for protection.

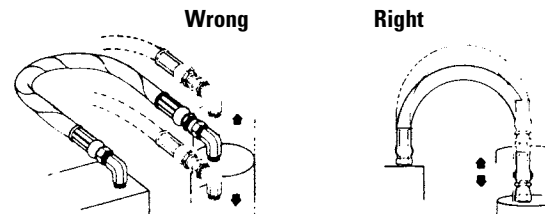
Install hose runs to avoid rubbing or abrasion. Use Weatherhead Hose Clamps to support long runs of hose or to keep hose away from moving parts. It is important that the clamps not allow the hose to move. This movement will cause abrasion and premature hose failure.


See Hose Clamps pages M-24-26.



8. Avoid improper hose movement.

Make sure relative motion of the machine components produces bending rather than twisting of the hose. Hose should be routed so that the flex is in the same plane as the equipment movement.



 Refer to safety information regarding Weatherhead hose installation on pages A-2-3.