

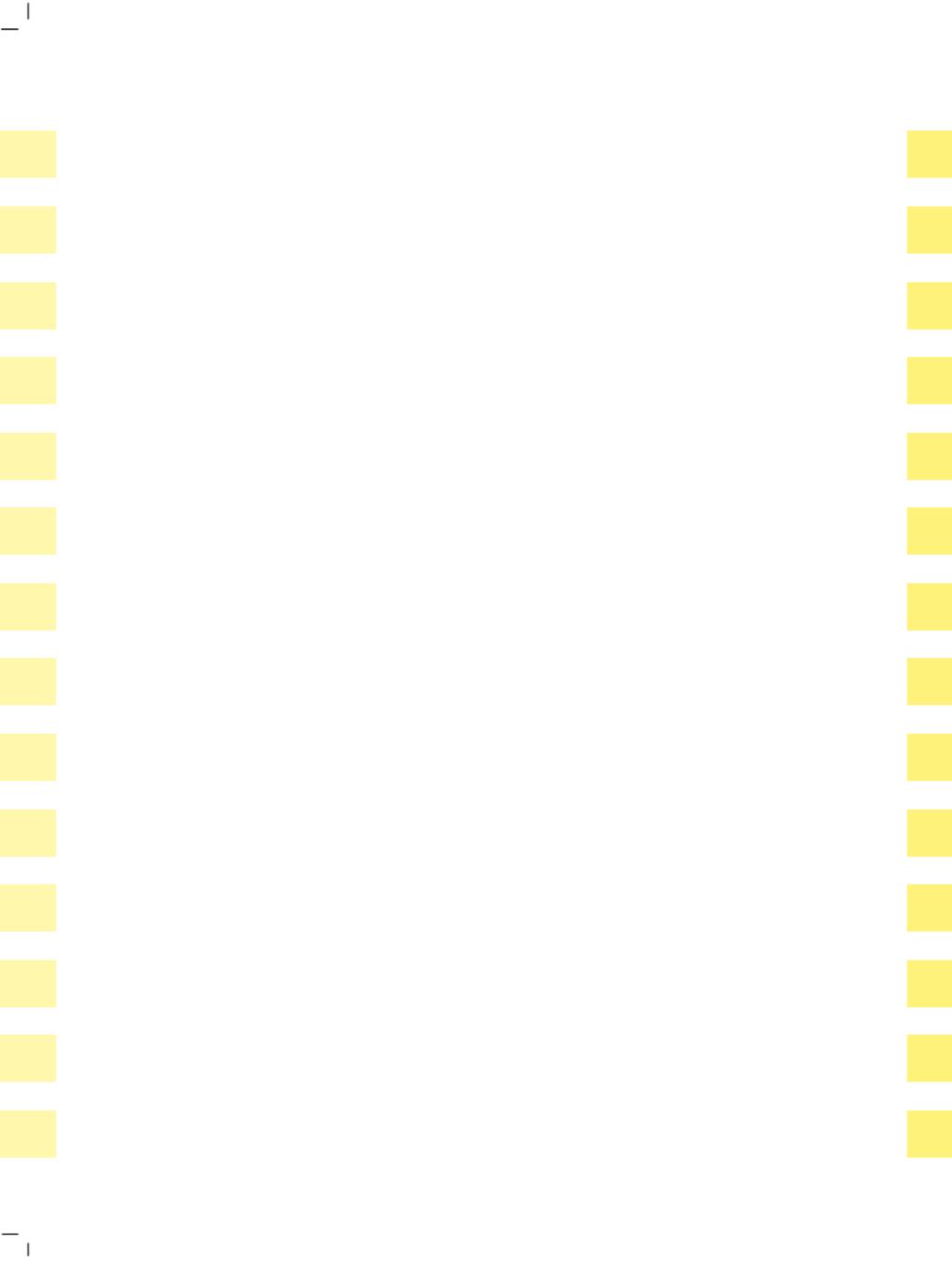
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**SAFE
HYDRAULICS**



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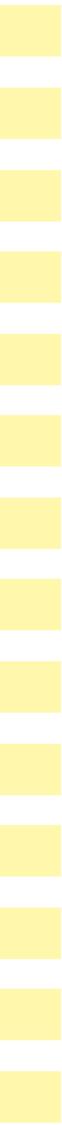
**Preventive maintenance for safe,
reliable and productive machines.**



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WHY PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE?

There are several good reasons to begin a preventive maintenance programme. Costly repairs, production downtime and worker safety to name a few.

The main objective of a preventive maintenance programme is to identify component weaknesses before failure and loss of production. Some people believe that PM actually should mean “predictive maintenance” rather than “preventive maintenance.”

Preventive maintenance is especially important with hydraulic products.

The high pressures and temperatures associated with hydraulics make hose and fitting maintenance and selection critical. If done correctly, the risk of injury and/or excessive costly downtime decreases significantly. In addition, there is a growing awareness regarding costs associated with cleaning up a hydraulic spill. Combining top-quality Gates products with a regular preventive maintenance programme will keep your equipment at maximum efficiency.

- Efficient production
- Better use of in-shop maintenance personnel
- Improved control
- Reduction of equipment downtime
- Safety hazards minimised
- Increased life expectancy
- Fewer capital outlays for new equipment
- Reduced repair costs
- Prevention of equipment deterioration

AVOID FLUID INJECTION INJURIES

Prevent fluid injuries - Fluids under pressure, even in small amounts, can cause serious injuries. Pressurised fluid escaping from even a small pin-sized hole can easily puncture the skin. To prevent injuries, never touch a pressurised hydraulic hose assembly with any part of your body.

If injury occurs - Pressurised fluid injuries are a serious matter. If fluid happens to puncture the skin, even if no pain is felt, get medical help immediately! Failure to obtain prompt medical help can result in the loss of the injured body part or death.

Testing precautions -

Pressurised hose assemblies can burst unexpectedly during testing. For this reason stay out of hazardous areas during hose assembly tests. And always follow proper safety precautions.



CHOOSING THE RIGHT COMPONENTS

Safe, long-lasting hydraulic assemblies begin by choosing the right components. The “right” components are couplings and hoses designed to work together. Most manufacturers offer safe, high-quality components. But mixing and matching couplings from one manufacturer with hoses from another manufacturer can lead to premature assembly failure.

That’s because hoses, couplings, assembly equipment and crimping tolerances vary from one manufacturer to another and are not interchangeable. When components from different manufacturers are mixed, coupling retention can be adversely affected. Mixing components can not only cause unnecessary downtime, it can result in personal injury as well.

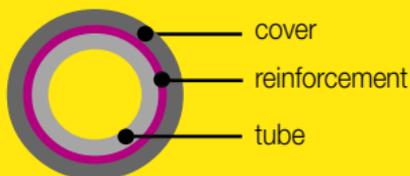
Gates offers a complete line of couplings, hoses and related equipment, all designed to work together as a system. Gates components meet stringent test requirements and are engineered to provide the highest quality and long service life.



CHOOSING THE RIGHT HOSE

Choosing the right hose is the first step to long and safe assembly service life.

Hose construction



Hydraulic hoses have three parts: the cover, tube and reinforcement.

The cover protects the reinforcement and tube from environmental conditions such as:

- weather
- ozone
- abrasion
- temperature
- chemicals, etc.

Choose a hose with a cover that can meet the demands of your system, especially in abrasive situations or if the hose will be exposed to chemicals or extreme temperatures.

The purpose of the tube is to allow the fluid to pass with as little resistance as possible.

The reinforcement is the hose's muscle. It provides the necessary strength to resist internal pressure (or external pressure in the case of suction/vacuum).

The three basic types of reinforcement are braided, spiralled or helical. The type of reinforcement is dependent on the intended use of the hose.

When choosing a hose, it's crucial the cover, tube and reinforcement are all compatible with the type of fluid used in the system.

Other variables, such as elevated temperatures, fluid contamination and fluid concentration, will also affect compatibility. If in doubt, consult your hose distributor or the hose manufacturer.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT HOSE

The “STAMPED” method

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Size

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Temperature

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Application

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Material

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Pressure

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Ends/Couplings

D

Delivery

Studies conducted by fluid power parts manufacturers indicate that the three most common causes of hydraulic hose failure are abuse, misapplication and improper routing. Equipment operators and technicians can reduce, if not eliminate, premature hydraulic hose failure by giving maximum consideration to hose assembly selection and installation.

Gates suggests using the “**STAMPED**” method to be sure you get the right hose assembly for the job. “**STAMPED**” stands for Size, Temperature, Application, Material to be conveyed, Pressure, Ends or couplings and Delivery. Here’s how it works:

Size

The inside diameter of the hose must be adequate to keep pressure loss to a minimum and avoid damage to the hose due to heat generation or excessive turbulence.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT HOSE

Temperature

The hose selected must be capable of withstanding the minimum and maximum temperature seen by the system.

Application

Determine where or how the replacement hose or assembly is to be used. You'll need to know the equipment type, working and surge pressures, fluid to be used, bend radius, electrical conductivity, etc.

Material to be conveyed

Product selection must assure compatibility of the hose tube, cover, couplings and O-rings with the fluid used.

Pressure

A crucial aspect in the hose selection process is knowing the system pressure, including pressure spikes. Working pressures as published in the Gates Hydraulic hose, couplings & equipment catalogue must be equal to or greater than the system pressure.

Ends or couplings

Identify the type of threads the system uses and select a coupling that is compatible with that thread type.

Delivery

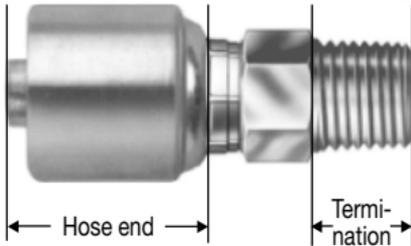
Make sure the hose is properly sized to efficiently transport fluid.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT COUPLING

Coupling selection

A hydraulic coupling consists of two functional ends:

1. The hose end for hose attachment.
2. The termination end for port or adaptor attachment.



The hose end is identified by the hose size and type to which it is attached. Coupling design is specified by the hose manufacturer to meet hose performance.

The termination or thread end of a coupling can be identified by comparing it with the coupling being replaced or by measuring the port or termination end to which it will be attached.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT COUPLING

Thread size identification guide

MALE THREAD DIAMETERS

Ø mm	Tapered thread		Cylindrical thread				Ø mm		
	(largest dimension)		MALE SEAT		FEMALE SEAT				
	30° female seat: NPTF Flat face: BSPT		37° seat: JIC 45° seat: SAE 45°		O-ring located outside: SAE / Boss O-ring located at nose seat: ORFS			24° cone / metric tube: DIN 24° universal cone / "Gaz" Tube: French Gaz 60° cone: BSP	
10.1	1/8"-28 BSP	2MBSPT					1/8"-28 BSP	2MBSPP	10.1
10.3	1/8"-27 NPT	2MP							10.3
11.0			7/16"-20	4MJ	7/16"-20	4MB			11.0
12.0			7/16"-20	4MS			M12 x 1.5	6MDL	12.0
12.5			1/2"-20	5MJ	1/2"-20	5MB			12.5
13.0									13.0
13.6	1/4"-19 BSP	4MBSPT					1/4"-19 BSP	4MBSPP	13.5
13.9	1/4"-18 NPT	4MP							13.9
14.0							M14 x 1.5	6MDH	14.0
14.1			9/16"-18	6MJ	9/16"-18	6MB	M14 x 1.5	8MDL	14.1
15.9			5/8"-18	6MS	9/16"-18	4MFFOR			15.7
16.0							M16 x 1.5	8MDH	16.0
16.5							M16 x 1.5	10MDL	16.5
17.1	3/8"-19 BSP	6MBSPT					3/8"-19 BSP	6MBSPP	17.1
17.3	3/8"-18 NPT	6MP			11/16"-16	6MFFOR			17.3
18.0							M18 x 1.5	10MDH	18.0
18.9			3/4"-16	8MJ	3/4"-16	8MB	M18 x 1.5	12MDL	18.9
19.1			3/4"-16	8MS					19.1
20.0							M20 x 1.5	12MDH	20.0
20.6							M20 x 1.5	13MFG	20.6
20.9									20.9
21.5	1/2"-14 BSP	8MBSPT					1/2"-14 BSP	8MBSPP	21.5
21.6	1/2"-14 NPT	8MP							21.6
22.0					13/16"-16	8MFFOR	M22 x 1.5	14MDH	22.0
22.1			7/8"-14	10MJ	7/8"-14	10MB	M22 x 1.5	15MDL	22.1
22.9			7/8"-14	10MS					22.9
23.4	5/8"-14 BSP	10MBSPT					5/8"-14 BSP	10MBSPP	23.4
24.0							M24 x 1.5	16MDH	24.0
25.3					1"-14	10MFFOR	M24 x 1.5	17MFG	25.3

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26.0								26.0	
26.9			1.1/16"-12 12MJ 1.1/16"-14 12MS		1.1/16"-12 12MB		M26 x 1.5 18MDL	26.9	
27.0	3/4"-14 NPT 12MP 3/4"-14 BSP 12MBSPT						3/4"-14 BSP 12MBSPT	27.0	
30.0			1.3/16"-12 14MJ		1.3/16"-14 12MFFOR 1.3/16"-12 14MB		M30 x 1.5 21MFG M30 x 2.0 20MDH M30 x 2.0 22MDL	30.0	
32.0								32.0	
33.2			1.5/16"-12 16MJ		1.5/16"-12 16MB			33.2	
33.7	1"-11.5 NPT 16MP							33.7	
33.9	1"-11 BSP 16MBSPT						1"-11 BSP 16MBSPP	33.9	
36.0							M36 x 1.5 27MFG M36 x 2.0 25MDH M36 x 2.0 28MDL	36.0	
36.3					1.7/16"-12 16MFFOR			36.3	
38.0							M38 x 1.5	38.0	
41.2			1.5/8"-12 20MJ		1.5/8"-12 20MB			41.2	
42.0							M42 x 2.0 30MDH	42.0	
42.5	1.1/4"-11.5 NPT 20MP							42.5	
42.6	1.1/4"-11 BSP 20MBSPT				1.11/16"-12 20MFFOR		1.1/4"-11 BSP 20MBSPP	42.6	
45.0							M45 x 1.5 33MFG M45 x 2.0 35MDL	45.0	
47.6			1.7/8"-12 24MJ					47.5	
48.5	1.1/2"-11 BSP 24MBSPT						1.1/2"-11 BSP 24MBSPP	48.5	
48.6	1.1/2"-11.5 NPT 24MP							48.6	
50.6					2"-12 24MFFOR			50.6	
52.0							M52 x 1.5 42MFG M52 x 2.0 38MDH M52 x 2.0 42MDL	52.0	
59.5								59.5	
60.5	2"-11 BSP 32MBSPT						2"-11 BSP 32MBSPP	60.5	
60.7	2"-11.5 NPT 32MP							60.7	
63.3			2.1/2"-12 32MJ					63.3	

Male: refers to the external thread or part which enters into the female to provide connection (source: BFFA/P47-1999)

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	60° cone BSP 24° cone + O-ring / metric tube: DIN 24° universal cone / "Gaz" tube: French Gaz 60° universal cone / metric tube: DIN		O-ring located at nose seat male: ORFS sealed through copper washer / bonded seal: BSP		37° seat: JIC 45° seat: SAE 45° 30° seat: JIS		
9.9					7/16"-20	4FJX 4FSX	9.9
10.5	M12 x 1.5	6FDLORX					10.5
11.5					1/2"-20	5FJX 5FSX	11.5
11.7	1/4"-19 BSP	4FBSPORX	1/4"-19 BSP	4FBFFX	1/4"-19 BSP	4FJISX	11.7
12.5	M14 x 1.5	8FDLORX			M14 x 1.5	4FKX	12.5
12.9			9/16"-18	4FFORX	9/16"-18	6FJX	12.9
14.3					5/8"-18	6FSX	14.3
14.5	M16 x 1.5	8FDHORX					14.5
	M16 x 1.5	10FDLORX					
15.2	3/8"-19 BSP	6FBSPORX	3/8"-19 BSP	6FBFFX	3/8"-19 BSP	6FJISX	15.2
15.9			11/16"-16	6FFORX			15.9
16.5	M18 x 1.5	10FDHORX			M18 x 1.5	6FKX	16.5
	M18 x 1.5	12FDLORX					
17.5					3/4"-16	8FJX 8FSX	17.5
18.5	M20 x 1.5	12FDHORX					18.5
	M20 x 1.5	13FFGX					
	M20 x 1.5	14FDLORX					
18.9	1/2"-14 BSP	8FBSPORX	1/2"-14 BSP	8FBFFX	1/2"-14 BSP	8FJISX	18.9
19.1			13/16"-16	8FFORX			19.1
20.5	M22 x 1.5	14FDHORX			7/8"-14	10FJX	20.5
	M22 x 1.5	15FDLORX			M22 x 1.5	8FKX 10FSX	
20.9	5/8"-14 BSP	10FBSPORX	5/8"-14 BSP	10FBFFX			20.9
22.5	M24 x 1.5	16FDHORX			M24 x 1.5	10FKX	22.5
	M24 x 1.5	17FFGX					
23.6			1"-14	10FFORX			23.6
24.4	3/4"-14 BSP	12FBSPORX	3/4"-14 BSP	12FBFFX	3/4"-14 BSP	12FJISX	24.4
24.5	M26 x 1.5	18FDLORX					24.5
25.0					1.1/16"-12	12FJX	25.0

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25.4							25.4
28.0	M30 x 2.0	20FDHORX	1.3/16"-16	12FFORX			28.0
	M30 x 2.0	22FDLORX					
28.2					1.3/16"-12	14FJX	28.2
28.5	M30 x 1.5	21FFGX			M30 x 1.5	12FKX	28.5
30.6	1"-11 BSP	16FBSPORX	1"-11 BSP	16BFFX	1"-11 BSP	16FJISX	30.6
31.3					1.5/16"-12	16FJX	31.3
31.5					M33 x 1.5	16FKX	31.5
34.0	M36 x 2.0	25FDHORX					34.0
	M36 x 2.0	28FDLORX					
34.4			1.7/16"-12	16FFORX			34.4
34.5	M36 x 1.5	27FFGX			M36 x 1.5	20FKX	34.5
39.2					1.5/8"-12	20FJX	39.2
39.3	1.1/4" -11 BSP	20FBSPORX					39.3
40.0	M42 x 2.0	30FDHORX					40.0
40.5					M42 x 1.5	24FKX	40.5
40.5			1.11/16"-12	20FFORX			40.5
43.0	M45 x 2.0	35FDLORX					43.0
43.5	M45 x 1.5	34FFGX					43.5
45.2	1.1/2" -11 BSP	24FBSPORX					45.2
45.5					1.7/8"-12	24FJX	45.5
46.4							46.4
48.5			2"-12	24FFORX			48.5
50.0	M52 x 2.0	38FDHORX					50.0
	M52 x 2.0	42FDLORX					
50.5	M52 x 1.5	42FFGX					50.5
59.5	2" -11 BSP	32FBSPORX					59.5
61.4					2.1/2"-12	32FJX	61.4

Female: refers to the internal thread or recess, may be of a fixed part or a swivel nut to hold mating parts together (source: BFFA/P47-1999)

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PERIODIC INSPECTIONS



Prior to conducting any inspection of your hydraulic system, it is important that you know how the equipment sounds, looks and feels during normal operation. Any noticeable difference in its daily operation may indicate a problem. Take time to check it out thoroughly. Always review specific precautions outlined by your equipment's manufacturer first.

When to inspect and how often

Because this varies by type of equipment, refer to your equipment manual for recommendations. Always follow the manufacturers' inspection recommendations. If they are not available, a good rule of thumb is:

- For mobile equipment: every 400- 600 hours or three months, whichever occurs first.
- For stationary equipment: every three months.

The following factors influence how often you need to inspect your hose:

- critical nature of equipment
- operating temperatures
- operating pressures
- environmental factors
- type of usage (rugged, abusive, shock, vibration, operating time, etc.)
- accessibility of equipment

EUROPEAN LEGISLATION

As safety is of utmost importance when designing hydraulic circuits, in Europe this evidence has been translated into legislation in the European Machinery Directive 98/37/CE. The Machinery Directive provides the regulatory basis for the harmonisation of the essential health and safety requirements for machinery at European Union level.

The text of the Machinery Directive is very limited and restricted only to the essential safety and performance requirements in the general public interest.

The easiest route to demonstrate compliance with the Directive is to comply with Harmonised Standards. The Harmonised European Standards (better known as EN standards) are tools to help manufacturers and users comply with the Directive by providing practical guidance on meeting its requirements.

The two most important EN standards on safety requirements in the domain of hydraulic hose assemblies are ISO EN 12100 (previously EN 292) and EN 982.

- ISO 12100 / EN 292: 'Safety of machinery: Basic concepts, general principles for design'.
- EN 982 'Safety of machinery - Safety requirements for fluid power systems and their components - Hydraulics'.

Basic requirements of EN 982:

1. Replacement of a hose assembly

The EN 982 standard forbids the use of hoses that have previously been used as part of an assembly. Only new hose is to be used.

2. Performance requirements

All hose assemblies must fulfill all performance requirements specified in the appropriate European and/or international standards (SAE J517 or EN 853, 854, 856 and 857 standards).

The most important performance requirement for hose assemblies is passing impulse testing. This is a cyclic endurance test every hose/coupling combination has to be qualified to, during which it has to withstand the number of cycles specified in the relevant hose specification.

In practice this means that every manufacturer of hose assemblies must be able to show evidence that the hose/coupling combination used for any assembly has been tested to the impulse requirements specified in the above standards.

The Gates integrated approach of hoses, couplings, machines, dies and crimp data allow its users to fully rely on Gates for all evidence of continuous testing that meets or even EXCEEDS the requirements of the various international standards.

3. Storage and service time

The recommendations of the hose manufacturer on storage time and service time for hose assemblies shall be respected.

4. Fitting onto the machine

EN 982 requires a safe fitting of the hose assembly onto the machine, taking into account possible risks of whiplash and fluid injection.

5. Marking

The EN 982 explicitly requires the following data to be shown in a visible and permanent way on all components:

- Identification of the manufacturer of the assembly
- Date of manufacture of the assembly

The Gates integrated system of hoses, couplings, self assembly machines and crimp data is the perfect solution to allow you to fully comply to the European Machinery directive.

HOSE TROUBLESHOOTING

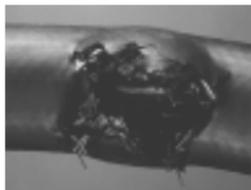
Hose failures can be caused by conditions such as excessive pressures, non-compatible fluids, extreme temperatures, etc. Your goal in troubleshooting is to identify the cause(s), then take appropriate corrective action.

The information in this chapter provides you with examples of the most common hose failures, as well as solutions on ways to correct or prevent them.



Abrasion

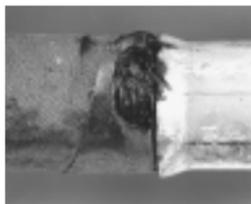
Solution - Reroute the hose to keep it away from abrasive sources and exposure to noncompatible fluids or guard the hose with a protective sleeve.



Hose burst at body

Solution - Check the pressure output of the system. It may be necessary to use a pressure transducer to measure the magnitude of any pressure surges. Select a hose that has the proper working pressure rating to handle the maximum pressure (including surges) of your application.

Reroute hose to eliminate excessive flexing and/or exceeding the minimum recommended bend radius for the hose in use.



Hose burst at coupling

Solution - Increase assembly length to accommodate contraction of the hose under pressure. Increase actual bend radius as the hose exits the coupling. Bend restrictors can also be used to reduce bending stress at the coupling. Replace hose assembly with properly crimped assembly.

HOSE ASSEMBLY ROUTING TIPS

Proper hose installation is essential for satisfactory performance. If hose length is excessive, the installation's appearance will be unsatisfactory, and unnecessary equipment costs will be incurred. If hose assemblies are too short to permit adequate flexing and allow for length changes due to expansion or contraction, service life will be reduced.

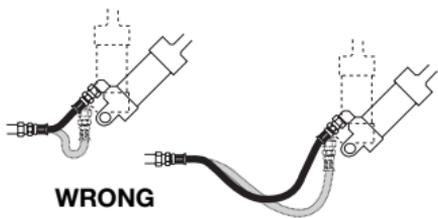


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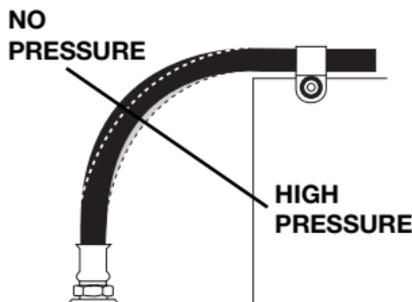
When hose installation is straight, allow enough slack in hose line to provide for length changes which will occur when pressure is applied.



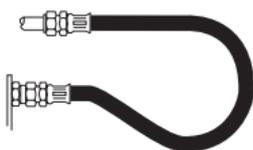
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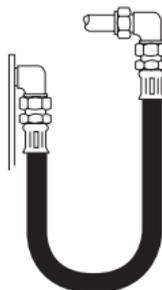
Adequate hose length is necessary to distribute movement on flexing applications and to avoid abrasion.



To allow for length changes when hose is pressurised, do not clamp at bends so that curves will absorb changes. Do not clamp high and low pressure lines together.



WRONG



RIGHT

When radius is below the required minimum, use an angled adaptor to avoid sharp bends.

HOSE CLEANLINESS

As your customers become more dependent on ISO standards, your overall strategy must reflect a dedication to system cleanliness.

What is hydraulic system cleanliness? “Cleanliness” is a term used to describe the level of solid and liquid contamination found in hydraulic systems. “Contamination” may be defined as any substance that is not part of the hydraulic system’s working fluid.

Why is cleanliness important to your customers?

- **Efficient production** because clean systems provide for maximum productivity
- **Improved control** of spare parts through preventive maintenance and monitoring contamination
- **Reduced equipment downtime** through scheduled inspections
- **Safety hazards minimised** through preventing contamination related failure and increased life expectancy of components on equipment
- **Reduced repair cost** due to fewer breakdowns

Several reputable sources have claimed that 70% to 80% of hydraulic system failures are due to contamination. By establishing a contamination control programme, costly repairs and downtime may be minimised. A contamination control programme can be as simple as establishing an allowable level of contamination within a hydraulic system, supplying cleaned components for the system, and monitoring levels of contamination as part of a preventive maintenance promotion.

SEVEN EASY STEPS TO INSTALL A HOSE ASSEMBLY

1. Clean the surrounding area where connections are to be made. Make sure no dirt or contamination gets into hydraulic openings.



2. Install adaptors into ports (if used). Tighten to manufacturer's recommended torque settings.



3. Lay the hose assembly into routing position to verify length and correct routing.



4. Screw one end of hose assembly onto port (or adaptor). If the hose assembly uses an angled fitting, always install it first to ensure proper positioning.



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5. Screw other end of the assembly without twisting the hose. Use a spanner on the backup hex on the fitting while tightening.



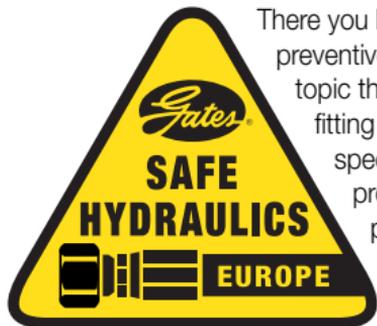
6. Properly tighten both ends.



7. Run the hydraulic system to circulate oil under low pressure and reinspect for leaks and potentially damaging contact. Circulating also purges air (bleed) from the system that can cause sluggish performance and possible damage to pumps and other components.



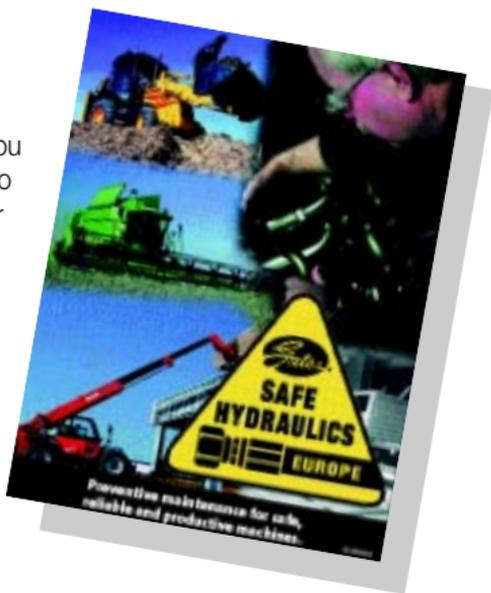
SAFE HYDRAULICS



There you have it, an overview of hydraulic safety and preventive maintenance. There is much more to this topic than can be covered in this booklet, including fitting orientation, coupling identification, agency specifications, hydraulic fluids, hose storage life, proper installation torque values, crimping preventive maintenance, and in-depth information on troubleshooting and hose assemblies.

Gates has developed an in-depth hydraulic preventive maintenance training programme, called "Safe Hydraulics" that can provide you with all of the information you need to properly maintain your equipment for safe operation.

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