

# **Handling and Safety**



Note: Failure to follow these safety precautions may result in injury, equipment damage, system failure, or death. Always consult the manufacturer's documentation for additional details or specific requirements.

## **Handling Instructions**

#### 1. General Safety Precautions

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, safety goggles, and steel-toe boots when handling hydraulic hoses.
- Inspect the hose for visible damage such as cuts, abrasions, or leaks before use.
- Do not attempt to use a damaged or defective hose; replace it immediately.
- Keep hoses away from sharp edges, heat sources, and corrosive substances.
- Avoid kinking, twisting, or stretching the hose beyond its recommended limits.

#### 2. Storage Guidelines

- Store hoses in a cool, dry, and clean area away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.
- Ensure hoses are coiled properly to prevent deformation.
- Avoid stacking heavy objects on hoses to prevent crushing or damage.

### 3. Transport Tips

- Use appropriate lifting tools or equipment to move heavy or long hydraulic hoses.
- Avoid dragging hoses on the ground, as this can cause wear and contamination.
- Cap or plug hose ends during transport to prevent dirt or debris from entering the hose.



#### **Installation Instructions**

#### 1. Preparation

- Confirm that the hose meets the specifications required for the application, including pressure, temperature, and fluid compatibility.
- Verify that all fittings and connectors are clean, undamaged, and correctly sized for the hose.
- Consult the manufacturer's technical documentation if unsure about compatibility.

#### 2. Installation Steps

#### 1. Positioning the Hose:

- Avoid sharp bends or twists during installation.
- Ensure the hose has enough slack to accommodate movement or vibration during operation.
- Use hose clamps or guides to secure the hose without over-tightening.

#### 2. Attaching Fittings:

- Clean the threads and sealing surfaces of the fittings to ensure a tight seal.
- Attach fittings by hand initially to prevent cross-threading, then tighten to the specified torque using a calibrated tool.

#### 3. Pressure Testing:

- Perform a pressure test after installation to confirm there are no leaks.
- Gradually increase pressure to the operating level while monitoring the hose and fittings.
- Use a test fluid that is compatible with the system and safe to handle.

#### 3. Final Inspection

- Check for proper routing and securement to avoid chafing or excessive wear.
- Verify that all connections are tight and free of leaks.
- Ensure the hose does not interfere with moving parts or other system components.



# **Maintenance and Periodic Inspection**

- Regularly inspect hoses for signs of wear, cracks, or leaks.
- Replace hoses at the first sign of damage or when they reach the manufacturer's recommended service life.
- Clean hoses and connections periodically to prevent contamination and maintain optimal performance.