



**River Bend Transfer Systems, L.L.C.**  
**Unpacking & Storage Recommendations**  
**Bulk Hose**

1. Use care in unwrapping plastic and cardboard to avoid damage to hose.
2. If a spindle is used to unroll hose, some provision must be made to slow the reel as it unwinds as the tendency will be for the hose to roll off quickly.
3. When hose is uncoiled it should be done by rolling the reel rather than pulling the hose off and exposing it to external debris and abrasives.

Rubber hose products in storage can be affected by environmental elements. In order to prevent detrimental effects, the following guidelines should be observed:

1. Hose should be stored as shipped, on reel, in either a vertical or horizontal position.
2. Whenever feasible, the hose should be stored in its original shipping/ packing materials so that plastic wrapping and cardboard covering will provide some protection against possible deteriorating elements.
3. Hose ends should be kept covered to avoid infestation by rodents or insects that could conceal themselves on the inside of the hose.
4. The ideal temperature for storage of the hose ranges from 50 to 70 F, although intermittent seasonal ambient temperatures from -30 to 120 F will not be destructive to the hose. If stored below 32 F, the hose may become stiff and could require warming before being placed in service.
5. Exposure to direct and reflected sunlight should be avoided.
6. If the hose is to be stored outside, the packing/ shipping material should be intact and the hose should be covered with a tarpaulin or other protective covering.
7. Optimum storage area is in a covered area that is cool and dark, and free of dampness and mildew.

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