

BULLETIN

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DATE: February 12, 2026
TO: All Personnel
FROM: Kevin Pendleton, Deputy Fire Chief, Logistics Division
SUBJECT: 2026 Hose Testing

Fire Station 20 personnel will be conducting hose testing mid-February through April of 2026. The division calendars will reflect dates and times for individual unit hose testing assignments.

Hose Testing Reminders:

- Please show up on time to FS19 as reflected on the division calendars. The daily unit rotations are time sensitive
- Units should update status to OOS Hose Testing while enroute
- Do not contact FS20 personnel for attendance conflicts or schedule changes
- Any schedule changes must be routed through your battalion chief
- All crew members are expected to participate and assist hose testing personnel
- If there is missing hose identified during testing, complete the procedures for damaged or missing equipment. (**SDFD Operations Manual, SI 06, Section 07**)
- Crews assigned to reserve apparatus will still be expected to complete hose testing if scheduled
- Any questions regarding hose testing can be directed to Battalion 3.

The procedure for hose replacement or exchange has been updated to ensure efficiency and equipment accountability. When there is a need to exchange damaged hose, the following procedure should be utilized:

1. FS20 will replace damaged hose with a 1 for 1 exchange following the damaged or missing equipment investigation
2. Hose will not be distributed without an equal exchange
3. Damaged hose will be cleaned and tagged prior to exchange
4. Once a damaged/missing equipment investigation is complete, send an email to sfdhoserepair@sandiego.gov stating the details of the request. Your chain of command including battalion chief should be copied on the request
5. Coordinate the hose exchange with battalion chief
6. Incident requests for large quantities of hose will be coordinated through Logistics. A Logistics callback page should be utilized via ECDC outside of business hours (for emergency use only).