

1. **Temperature:** Ensure that the setup is performed in temperatures above 70°F (21°C). This is to maximize the flexibility of the hose material, making it easier to work with.
2. **Remove Packaging:** Remove all packaging materials and ties from the hose to prepare it for use.
3. **Check Washer:** Check that the washer (also known as a rubber gasket or O-ring) is properly seated in the coupling that attaches to the home or spigot. This washer helps create a tight seal and prevents leaks when you attach the hose to the water source.
4. **Unwind the Hose:** Unwind the hose loosely in a circular motion before attaching it to the spigot or faucet. This prevents kinks and tangles in the hose, ensuring smooth water flow.
5. **Run Water Through the Hose:** Before using the hose for your intended task, it's a good practice to run water through it. This helps remove any debris or residue that may have accumulated during storage and ensures clean water flow.
6. **Allow Hose to Heat Up:** Leave the hose laid out straight and allow it to heat up during the day. This step is particularly important if the hose has been stored in a cold environment. Warmer temperatures can improve the flexibility of the hose material, making it less likely to kink or crack during use.
7. **Wind Hose Accordingly:** After using the hose, wind it back up for storage. Properly store the hose by coiling it up and keeping it away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures, as these can degrade the hose over time.