



Anyone who's lived with a large reel unit, ours are a 450-D, 4500-D, and a 4000-D, will probably tell you that the majority of hose problems come from chaffing. (Note counting the steel test lines which are usually the first to go). You can buy the OEM Parker Hose Protectors but for about \$3.50 a foot. When I added everything I'd like to protect, it got to be a sizable bill so we looked at making some inhouse.



We found that by cutting various sizes of PVC tubing, both schedule 20 and 40, we could come up with several alternatives. Once you figure out the technique, whether you rotate it into the saw blade or away from it, you can cut about 3' a minute.



For the example above, I used schedule 40 but had to take the hose off to get it on, it's not as pliable as schedule 20 but offers more protection. For the reel hoses we used schedule 20, and twisted it on without taking the hose off.