



The size and length of a man's hose does matter

It's the age old question about whether size and the length of a man's hose matters. A new survey has discovered that Tasmanians and South Australians are the most likely to have a hose longer than 30 metres, while Western Australians and Queenslanders are most likely to have a hose under 18 metres in length. Men in regional areas have longer hoses in general, compared to their city counterparts.

The survey of over 2,000 people was conducted by garden hose specialists Hoselink, to discover the changing hose habits of Australians. According to Tim Kierath, founder of Hoselink, the length of a hose does indeed matter.

"Hoses come in all different lengths and longer is not necessarily better," said Tim. "You should only buy the length you need and that will depend on the size of the area that the hose will be used in, what it's used for and where it will be stored." The longer the hose, the heavier it will be to move around, the more storage space it needs and it can also result in lower water pressure coming out at the end. "This is why our longest hose is 30 metres," explains Tim.

In order to choose a hose, Tim advises measuring the farthest distance from the tap and buying a hose that goes just beyond that. Tugging on the hose to stretch it out is not recommended. If "click-on" fittings are being used it's likely they will break. If a 30 metre hose is not long enough, Tim suggests joining two hoses. The second hose can be hung under a tree or like in the area where the additional hose is required. If Hoselink connectors are fitted, no additional joiner is required. Simply point and twist the 2 ends together for a join that is stronger than the hose. "This way, you're not dragging around a long, heavy garden hose all the time," he said.

In terms of size, a 12 millimetre diameter hose is the most useful and common diameter for a garden hose around the home. For areas with lower water pressure, Hoselink has an Auto Reel with a 14mm hose that provides about 25% more flow. For regional areas and commercial applications, an 18 millimetre diameter hose is typically used providing a much higher water flow rate.

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