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Many of our engine crews have used the 4 inch pvc to make fusee holders. We had an incident on a walk in fire where the holder fell off the pack it was tied to and when the firefighters picked it up they could here the hissing sound of a fusee, apparently one had ignited from the shock of dropping. The firefighters quickly tossed it away and the build up of pressure in the PVC tube caused it to explode. Holes should be drilled in the tubes to dissipate the pressure if the fusees should somehow ignite.

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