

FIREFIGHTER EMT

DEFINITION

To respond to emergency situations related to protection of life and property by performing fire suppression, rescue, and responding to calls for medical assistance; to participate in fire prevention duties including training and education; and to perform apparatus, equipment, and station maintenance.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general supervision from an assigned Fire Captain.

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES – Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Respond to emergency and non-emergency calls for service; perform fire suppression duties including laying and connecting hoses; hold and direct a variety of suppression material streams; carry and operate chemical fire extinguishers; raise and climb aerial ladders; make forcible entry into buildings and control traffic around emergency sites as necessary.

Secure fire sites to control re-starts including knocking down structural appurtenances such as walls and roofs and assisting in investigating fire cause and origin; ventilate buildings and conduct overhaul, salvage and clean up operations at site.

Operate a variety of emergency rescue tools and equipment to extricate victims from vehicles, confined spaces, trenches, collapsed buildings, or similar situations.

Provide first aid and assist Firefighter/Paramedics at emergency medical incidents.

Respond to hazardous material incidents; mitigate situation and identify material and determine proper procedure for handling and disposal.

Participate in fire inspection of businesses and other fire prevention activities as assigned, including conducting routine patrols during declared fire season; ensure compliance with the Fire Code and identify potential fire hazards.

Participate in training activities and drills related to firefighting techniques, basic medical care, and proper use of apparatus, equipment, and tools; maintain current knowledge of firefighting and medical response techniques and department rules and regulations; may serve as drill instructor as assigned.

Perform public education activities such as making presentations and providing demonstrations and conducting tours; participate in community events that encourage awareness of emergency services and techniques.

Drive, operate, and maintain fire trucks and other emergency vehicles; operate engine pumping equipment and apparatus.

Assist in maintaining clean and orderly conditions in and around fire station; clean and service firefighting equipment, inspect and test equipment carried on fire trucks and engines; check and ensure adequate supplies are available; perform general custodial duties as required.

Maintain appropriate records, logs, and files; prepare required reports.

Build and maintain positive working relationships with co-workers, other City employees and the public using principles of good customer service.

Perform related duties as assigned.

MIMIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Principles, practices, procedures, and use of firefighting and emergency apparatus, equipment, tools, devices, and facilities.

First aid practices and principles.

Ability to:

Perform firefighting, emergency rescue, and first aid duties in response to calls for service.

On a continuous basis, know and understand all aspects of the job and observe safety rules; remember how to locate and operate equipment; intermittently analyze work papers, reports and special projects; remember various rules and procedures.

On a continuous basis, sit at a desk or in a vehicle for long periods of time; walk and stand during emergency situations, including on uneven and slippery surfaces; intermittently twist to reach equipment surrounding desk; perform grasping and fine manipulation; use telephone, and write or use a keyboard to communicate through written means; wear firefighter clothing and carry equipment; lift or carry weight of 110 pounds; climb ladders and work from elevated positions.

Demonstrate required mechanical skills in the operation of firefighting equipment and demonstrate physical aptitude needed in the performance of firefighting and rescue activities.

Provide basic emergency medical treatment in accordance with established protocols.

Drive and operate fire/emergency vehicles as required.

Work assigned shift schedules; be available for call-back.

Work unusual and prolonged work schedules during emergencies, seasonally-caused circumstances in varying weather and temperature conditions.

Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.

Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Experience and Training

Any combination of experience and training that would provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required knowledge and abilities would be:

Experience:

No experience is required.

AND

Training:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth grade. Course work in fire science and/or emergency medical technician services is desirable.

License and Certificate

Possession of, or ability to obtain, a valid California Class A, B or C driver's license with a Firefighter endorsement by end of probationary period.

Possession of a California Firefighter I Certificate as issued by the California State Fire Marshal.

Possession of an appropriate Emergency Medical Technician certificate.

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EMPLOYEES MUST BE TOBACCO FREE AND CANNOT USE TOBACCO PRODUCTS ON OR OFF DUTY

08-25-12

01-14-04

04-02-98

03-30-92

10-01-88

07-01-81 Fire Fighter-EMT I

07-01-79

01-10-78 Firefighter

10-30-73

04-01-69 Fireman