

PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER - EMS CERTIFIED

NATURE OF WORK

Performs technical work within the Fire & EMS Department, in the Operations Division, filling in on an assigned shift. Duties involve maintenance of equipment, apparatus, and quarters, and responding to fire and EMS calls. Duties require strict adherence to department rules and regulations. Work is performed under the general supervision of the shift Company Officer.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

- Cleans and maintains equipment, apparatus and quarters. Performs general maintenance and minor repairs to station facilities.
- Services and operates all department equipment and apparatus.
- Inspects, tests, washes, hangs, and dries fire hose. Cleans, polishes, and tests trucks, ladders, and auxiliary equipment and apparatus.
- Adheres to the OSHA 2-in/2-out regulations for fire operations.
- Participates in training drills. Attends schools and departmental classes on firefighting, hydraulics, tactical rescue, EMS, fire equipment and apparatus construction and operation.
- Provides public education sessions including station tours and related public presentations.
- Participates in tours and completes pre-planning of public buildings.
- Maintains fire and EMS certifications by performing hands-on skills labs and completing didactic lessons.
- Assists fire inspectors with inspections of public buildings including businesses, schools, churches, theaters, and factories.
- Maintains state of physical fitness by participating in the required, departmental physical fitness program.
- Responds to fire calls. Provides fire suppression, ventilation, salvage and overhaul, water supply, and other various fireground operations.
- Maintains logs of all alarms and calls during tour of duty. Enters call reports into databases.
- Performs Basic Life Support (BLS) and/or Advanced Life Support (ALS) patient care, as certified and indicated. Serves as the attendant in charge of patient care, under the general supervision of the highest trained attending EMS personnel and medical protocol of the Operational Medical Director.
- Actively participates in department privacy training programs and protects the privacy of all patient information in accordance with the department's policies and procedures concerning protected health information and other patient information.
- Responds to hazardous materials incidents. Establishes and follows incident command system to manage emergencies as need requires.
- Assists in classification, identification, and verification of known and unknown materials by using monitoring equipment, shipping papers, vehicle and package markings, and various resource manuals.
- Takes defensive actions to contain leaks by using dams, dikes, and pads.
- Assists spiller in notifying proper agencies, which require reporting of a hazardous materials incident.
- Assists higher trained agencies, which may be called in to assist with hazardous materials incidents as needed.

- Assists with the evacuation of populous as needed.
- Performs other duties as assigned by Company Officers and Fire Administration.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OF WORK

- Fire and/or EMS experience, preferably 1-2 years experience in a volunteer or career fire/EMS department.
- Graduation from high school or GED and any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the following knowledge, abilities, and skills:
 - Ability to learn a variety of firefighting duties, methods, and techniques.
 - Ability to operate and maintain a variety of mechanical and medical equipment.
 - Ability to wear provided personal protective and breathing apparatus.
 - Ability to learn Emergency Medical skills and terminology as required by department policy.
 - Ability to legibly write reports and enter data into a computer terminal.
 - Ability to acquire skill in the use of fire equipment and apparatus and safely operate such.
 - Ability to work effectively in hazardous situations and remain composed at the scene of a fire.
 - Ability to observe safety rules.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit; talk or hear; stand; walk; use hands to finger, handle, or operate objects, tools, or controls; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; climb or balance; reach with hands and arms; and taste or smell.

The employee must possess sufficient physical and agility capabilities to perform firefighter duties as established in the Fire Department's "Requirements for Physical and Agility Test". The employee must frequently lift or move up to 100 pounds, and regularly lift or move more than 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Work is performed primarily in office, vehicles, and outdoor settings, in all weather conditions, including temperature extremes, during day and night shifts. Work is often performed in emergency and stressful situations. Individual is regularly exposed to hearing alarms and hazards associated with fighting fires and rendering emergency medical assistance, including smoke, noxious odors, fumes, chemicals, liquid chemicals, solvents and oils.

The employee regularly works near moving mechanical parts and in high, precarious places and is regularly exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, fumes or airborne particles, and toxic or caustic chemicals. The employee occasionally is exposed to a risk of electrical shock, radiation, and vibration. The worker may be exposed to blood borne pathogens and will be required to wear specialized personal protective equipment.

The noise level in the work environment is usually quiet in office settings, and loud at an emergency scene.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Possession of a driver's license valid in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- Certification in an approved Emergency Vehicle Operator Course (EVOC).
- Maintain the level of fire and EMS certification as required and compensated for by the department.