

FIREFIGHTER/OPERATOR

(Competitive Class)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF CLASS

The class of Firefighter/Operator comprises entrance level positions in the classified fire fighting division of fire department operations. Employees of this class receive training for and after training perform tasks such as controlling and extinguishing fires, performing medical and rescue work, and driving, operating, and maintaining fire department vehicles. Employees of this class are directly supervised by a Fire Captain, and this class ranks directly below that of the class of Fire Captain.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Examples listed below are illustrative only. They are not intended to include all duties which may be assigned, neither are they intended to exclude other duties which may be logical assignments to this class.

Participates in assigned training drills either as an individual or as a member of a group. Attends special schools or courses assigned. Reads and studies assigned material related to performance of work.

Trains for and performs firefighting and rescue tasks such as connecting, carrying, and operating hose lines, ventilating buildings, and using ladders, lines, and other equipment to aid in fighting fires or removing fire and accident victims to safety.

Administers emergency medical care to patients of fire, accident, and illness either on the scene of an emergency or en route to the hospital.

Cleans, dries, inspects, and properly secures any assigned medical and fire fighting equipment such as hoses, hand tools, portable breathing apparatus, ladders, or related equipment. Cleans fire and medical vehicles.

Performs tasks necessary for the proper maintenance of station and grounds such as cleaning floors and windows, emptying trash cans, mowing grass, or related duties.

Performs public relations duties such as calming excited citizens at a fire scene, providing information to the public concerning the work of the fire department, conducting station tours for individuals or civic groups, or related duties.

Performs fire prevention or fire inspection tasks such as inspecting fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, or portable fire extinguishers, studying the district to become familiar with the location of fire plugs or water lines, interpreting or enforcing fire laws, ordinances, and regulations, and related duties.

Drives fire equipment to and from fire. Operates fire equipment at fire scene.

Performs related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Unless otherwise specified, all requirements must be met by the filing deadline for application to the test.

Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States and of legal age.

After offer of employment, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a physical examination, the selection and administration of which shall be authorized by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

Applicant must possess one of the following: high school diploma, high school equivalency certificate, high school transcript, affidavit from the issuing high school, associate's or bachelor's degree, or college transcript, any one of which must indicate that graduation has occurred or a degree awarded. A certification of completion shall not be sufficient to substitute for a diploma or equivalency certificate.

Must not be less than eighteen (18) years of age.

Must possess a valid driver's license.

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