

FIREFIGHTER

(Competitive Class)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:

This is the beginning level of considerably hazardous fire fighting work and involves the learning of necessary fundamentals and practical methods of more advanced work. The beginning Firefighter is a member of the fire department and works with and receives instructions from more experienced personnel. The class ranks immediately below that of Fire Driver and supervision is received from the Fire Chief and his assistants.

EXAMPLES OF WORK:

(Note: These examples below indicate only the general type of work performed in these positions and are NOT INTENDED TO RESTRICT DUTIES TO THOSE LISTED.)

Studies and receives instructions from experienced men on the various phases of fire fighting.

Assists in all work performed by the fire department, such as laying out and connecting hose line, carrying and setting up ladders, performing salvage and overhauling work, and related fire fighting work.

Performs custodial and maintenance work at the fire station such as cleaning and polishing equipment, sweeping and mopping buildings, and maintaining station grounds.

Attends training courses and drills, reads and studies assigned materials, practices tying knots, and the handling of ladders or other equipment.

Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Good knowledge of the physical geography of the city, including the location of principal streets and buildings.

Good knowledge of and aptitude towards the mechanical or building trades.

Ability to drive an automobile and possess a current driver's license.

Ability and willingness to learn fire fighting and life saving, work and department rules and regulations in order to perform satisfactory work.

Ability and willingness to cooperate with others and to seek advancement.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

Must be not less than 18 years of age nor more than 40 years of age at time of appointment from employment list.

Must have completed a high school education or its equivalent.

Must successfully pass a medical examination showing good health sufficient, in the opinion of the board, to indicate the physical ability to satisfactorily perform the required work before appointment from employment list.

Must be a qualified voter of the State of Louisiana.