

Firefighter/Paramedic

JOB DESCRIPTION

Under general supervision, responds to fire alarms and other emergency calls to protect life and property; drives and operates ambulances, pumping engines, aerial ladder trucks, and similar fire and reserve vehicles; participates in fire prevention, station maintenance, and training activities; performs advanced life support services and render medical treatment in emergency situations.

Receives calls and notifies personnel; drives equipment in responding to emergency calls in the suppression of fire, including medical rescue assignments; performs entry, ventilation, and salvage work; performs preventative maintenance and operates equipment; assists in the suppression of fire and in the protection of life and property; performs rescue operations and administers advanced first aid and advanced life supports services and cares for the ill or injured on the scene and in transit; directs other persons on medical responses; restocks ambulance supplies and checks equipment; cleans, tests, and maintains emergency equipment in the state of readiness; makes final inspections; performs clean-up , overhaul, and salvage work; prepares reports; assists with fire inspections responds to emergency calls; participates in direct, continual, and instructional training programs by individual study of technical material and attendance at scheduled drills and classes; responds to major alarms while off duty. Performs firefighting tasks such as but not limited to hose line operations, extensive crawling, lifting up to 100 pounds without assistance, pulling and carrying heavy objects 50 lbs. or more from distances more than 50 feet; performs entry, ventilating, and salvage work overhead and/or below the feet equivalent to pushing up to 60 lbs. and pulling 80 lbs. which may include dragging and carrying victims ranging from newborns to adults weighing over 200 pounds to safety despite hazardous conditions and low visibility; conducts inventories, orders supplies, checks water flows; prepares and reviews records and reports; participates in arson and other investigations; attends meetings and drills; performs general upkeep of the station and grounds; can determine placement of apparatus at emergency scenes; assist with maintaining ambulance licenses, records, and communication to the Fire Chief; assumes responsibilities for the firefighting, training, maintenance, or other responsibilities as assigned by the Fire Chief, Deputy Chief, Assistant Chief, or Captain; performs other related duties.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of elementary physics, chemistry, and mechanics; knowledge of technical firefighting, first aid, and medical principles and techniques; ability to meet standards as to age, height, weight, and physical conditions established by the appointing authorities; ability to operate and maintain fire and rescue equipment; ability to understand and follow oral and written directions; ability to render effective paramedic services; ability to keep simple records and prepare reports; mechanical aptitude; physical endurance and agility; ability to maintain acceptable cooperative relationships and communication with superiors, employees, and the public.

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE

A minimum of a high school diploma, or equivalent, possession of a valid motor vehicle operator's license; licensed as a Paramedic (must maintain CPR, ACLS & PALS) in the State of Missouri. Certification as a Firefighter I & II, Hazardous Materials: Operations, is required.

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