

FIREFIGHTER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is standardized manual work of a hazardous nature involving firefighting, ambulance duties, code enforcement, rescue, salvage and hazardous materials control. Work is performed under the immediate supervision of superior officers. Routine maintenance and custodial work on the station, vehicles and equipment used in job performance is required and performed under general supervision and inspected upon completion. A Firefighter does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

- Responds to fire alarms and emergency calls with fire company;
- Lays and connects and mans hose lines and nozzles, turns water on and off;
- Holds fire hose and directs the stream;
- Operates a pressure pump;
- Puts up and climbs ladders, and enters burning buildings when necessary;
- Makes openings in burning buildings for ventilation and entrance;
- Removes persons from burning buildings;
- Performs salvage operations at scenes of fire, such as covering furniture with tarpaulins and cleaning debris;
- Inspects buildings for the purpose of learning construction peculiarities and correcting hazardous situations;
- Learns and practices new methods related to job assignment(s);
- Drives and operates motor-driven firefighting equipment;
- Performs miscellaneous clerical work when assigned;
- Gives emergency medical care to injured persons; and may be required to drive the ambulance;
- Cleans and maintains firefighting equipment;
- Performs a variety of tasks in connection with the maintenance and repair of buildings and grounds;
- Performs fire prevention and general building inspections per New York State Building Code.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL

CHARACTERISTICS: Mental alertness; mechanical aptitude; ability to get along well with others; willingness to perform any task assigned; conscientiousness and dependability; physical condition sufficient to perform the essential functions of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS: Not less than 18 years of age on date of written exam.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Candidates must meet the following requirements to be eligible for appointment:

1. Must possess and maintain the appropriate level Motor Vehicle Operator's license.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: An appointed candidate must successfully achieve by the end of the probationary period:

1. Certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) issued by the NYS Health Department in accordance with Part 800, Chapter VI of the State Emergency Medical Services Code.

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