

WASATCH FIRE DISTRICT

JOB DESCRIPTION

Firefighter/AEMT



Position Title:Firefighter / AEMT

Division:.....Operations

Supervised by:....Captain

Supervises:.....None

Status:.....Full Time / Non-Exempt

Standard Shift.....48/96 Pay Grade...(F1*, F2)

GENERAL PURPOSE

Under general supervision, the Firefighter/EMT responds to emergency calls and planned events to protect life, property and the environment; performs specialized technical duties related to firefighting, rescue, hazardous materials response and administration of basic life support to the sick and injured; participates in fire prevention, community education, community wellness, training and equipment maintenance, and facility maintenance activities.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Respond to and assist at a wide variety of calls for service including but not limited to fires, rescue situations, hazardous materials incidents, medical emergencies, natural and manmade disasters, provides non-emergent public assistance, as needed.
- Identify and implement appropriate tactics to evacuate occupants, rescue victims, protect exposures, perform fire control and extinguishment, forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, and overhaul activities; raise and climb ladders; connect, extend and operate hose lines and perform other related duties as needed to protect life, property and the environment at fire, hazardous materials, and rescue related incidents.
- Respond to emergency medical incidents; triage patients and determine appropriate medical care, provide basic and advanced life support (according to medical certification), and transport the sick and injured to definitive care.
- Operate a variety of equipment, tools, devices and vehicles as required to perform assigned duties.
- Conduct life safety inspections of commercial, residential, public assemblies and governmental buildings to ensure compliance with applicable life safety regulations, ordinances and standards.
- Provide community education and event support including station tours and education classes.
- Conduct daily inspection of condition and readiness of district apparatus and equipment; perform minor repairs and preventative maintenance of apparatus and equipment; clean, wash and maintain apparatus and equipment; maintain the fire station and grounds; maintain inventory of equipment and supplies; and participate in periodic testing of ladders, fire hose, SCBA, pumps, and other apparatus and equipment.
- Perform a variety of administrative duties including preparing reports and forms, conducting research, and preparing and presenting recommendations.
- Participate in District training.
- Maintains positive working relationship with WFD members and the public.
- Perform all other duties assigned.



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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be 18 years or older at the time of employment.
- Must satisfy the WFD medical requirements and at all times maintain a fitness level that meets or exceeds the minimum standard of the district's physical ability test.
- Must possess a valid Utah driver license.
- Must have high school diploma or the equivalent (GED).
- Firefighter I, Firefighter II through the Utah Fire Service Certification System are requirements for this position. Applicants for Firefighter I certification must be state certified through the Utah Fire Service Certification system at the Hazardous Materials Awareness Personnel Level and Hazardous Materials Basic Operations Level.
- *Certification and licensure as an AEMT by the State of Utah Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services. *Or be able to achieve AEMT certification within 2 years of hire.
- Successful completion of NIMS and ICS 100, 200, 700, & 800. The obtainment of NIMS and ICS may be waived for one year from hire date.
- Must possess or obtain Red Card Certification within one year of hire.
- Must possess ADO Certification within three (3) years of hire. Depending on course availability.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- *Working knowledge of:*
 - Firefighting practices and procedures, fire hazards, safety precautions, fire hydraulics, building construction and mechanics.
 - hazardous materials operations and technical rescue awareness.
 - Emergency medical and resuscitation techniques and their application.
 - County geography, and district policy, procedures, rules and regulations.
- *Ability to:*
 - analyze situations quickly and objectively to determine the proper course of action under stressful and emergency conditions.
 - to understand and carry out oral and written instructions.
 - prepare written reports using proper grammar and spelling.
 - communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing.
 - maintain effective working relationships with other employees and the public.
 - meet the physical requirements established by the district.
 - Use job-related computers and software applications.

Note: Attainment of minimum qualifications does not guarantee availability of position.



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PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by any member 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 member is frequently required to stand; sit; walk; talk or hear; use hands to finger, handle, or operate objects, tools, or controls; and reach with hands and arms. The member is frequently required to climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and taste or smell.

The member must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 175 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close, distance, color, and peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those a member 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, vehicle, and outdoor settings; in all weather conditions, including temperature extremes; during day and night shifts. Work is often performed in emergency and stressful situations. Individuals are exposed to sirens and hazards associated with fighting fires and rendering emergency medical assistance, including infectious substances, smoke, noxious odors, fumes, chemicals, liquid chemicals, solvents, and oils.

The member occasionally works near moving mechanical parts and in high, precarious places and is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals, radiation, risk of electrical shock, and vibration.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate, except during certain firefighting or EMS activities when noise levels may be loud.

The duties listed above are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position. The job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and member and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirements of the job change. Wasatch County Fire District is an equal opportunity employer and maintains a drug and alcohol-free environment.

Employee Signature: _____

Date: _____

Supervisor Signature: _____