

City of Vicksburg Job Description

Job Title: Firefighter
Department: Fire
Reports To:
Prepared Date:

Summary

To control and extinguish fires, protect life and property, maintain equipment and perform all other tasks as assigned. Occupants of this position are assigned to duty in the Vicksburg Fire Department and work under the general supervision of the chief, deputy chief, assistant chiefs, captains and lieutenants. Duties include, but will not be limited to, climbing to considerable heights or being exposed to extremely dangerous conditions created by extreme heat, smoke and hazardous materials.

Job procedures

The fire fighter shall:

Be under the direct supervision of a company commander.

Extinguish and prevent fires, and make inspections of fire risks as directed.

Participate in drills, fire prevention schools and other department training activities.

Keep the apparatus, equipment and tools in specified condition.

Know the location of all tools and appliances on the apparatus.

Check all tools and appliances to see that they are in their proper place ready for use and report any variances to the driver and/or company officer.

Keep station and premises neat and clean.

Respond to all alarms and other emergencies with his assigned company.

Have a thorough working knowledge of the company response territory, streets, street numbers, hydrants, preplanned setups, standpipes, etc.

Maintain a courteous and cordial working relationship with all personnel of the Fire Department and the public.

Assume all duties and responsibilities of the company driver when assigned to this position.

Acquaint himself fully with the operation of his assigned apparatus, including, but not limited to, pumps and pumping operations, aerial ladders, hydraulic systems, foam and dry chemical metering devices; tools, to use and/or operate; special apparatus to which he may be assigned.

Promptly complete all proper reports on assigned vehicles.

Perform other such duties as required or directed.

Minimum Qualifications

Must be a United States citizen when application is submitted.

Must be at least 18 years of age. Proof of age must be presented when application is submitted.

Must have a valid driver's license when application is submitted.

Must have social security card to be photocopied when application is submitted.

Must have a high school diploma or GED. Must have on file, at time of application, an ACT score of 17, or an ACCUPLACER test score of 76 in reading. A National Registry certified emergency medical technician or paramedic will substitute for the ACT or ACCUPLACER score. Proof of certification must be presented when application is submitted.

Must submit to a background check. Must be of good moral character as evidenced by background check prior to employment. Cannot have a felony conviction.

Must submit to and receive satisfactory psychological evaluation prior to employment.

Must submit to a medical physical with drug screen prior to employment.

Must be able to perform the duties of a structural fire fighter without limitations.

Must pass physical agility test prior to employment.

Must have final earned average of no less than 70 percent on civil service examination to be placed on the employment register.