

TOWN OF CANTON

TITLE: Part-time Firefighter

Grade: Non-Exempt

DEPARTMENT: Fire/EMS

Date: 06/03/2021

POSITION DEFINITION:

This is highly responsible, skilled work, performing firefighter duties including extinguishing and preventing fires; protecting life and property in emergency situations; and operating equipment. Work also includes performing emergency medical assistance when responding to emergencies.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Firefighter/EMT works under general supervision of the Chief of the Department or his/her designee.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Responds to emergency incidents with a fire company. Performs tasks during life threatening emergencies both as a member of a team and independently to control or extinguish fire and other emergency conditions.
- Administers immediate aid and assistance on the scene to injured; assists in rescue work in various emergencies.
- In response to medical emergencies, performs a variety of basic life support tasks including assessing patient's conditions and treatment.
- Documents emergency incidents and patient information on appropriate forms.
- Promotes a positive, professional work environment and Department image.
- Performs assigned duties in inventory control, general and custodial maintenance, and operational inspections of all property, apparatus, tools, and equipment under his control.
- Cleans, polishes, oils, and greases equipment, makes minor repairs.
- Conducts fire surveys and inspections of all types of occupancies for the purposes of detecting fire hazards or conditions dangerous to life and property, developing prefire plans, and to familiarize firefighters with building occupancy, design, and systems.
- Follows town and department rules, regulations, standard operating procedures, and training standards.
- Participates in company drills in firefighting techniques and methods and in related subjects.
- Delivers public fire and EMS education programs.
- Services and fills pressurized cylinders.
- Performs routine administrative tasks as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- Considerable knowledge of modern firefighting equipment, fire suppression techniques, and methods of prevention, medical care, and lifesaving principles and practices.
- Knowledge of the geographical layout of the Town, particularly street locations, water system, and target hazards.

- Considerable knowledge of the characteristics of basic building materials and building construction and their behavior under fire conditions.
- Skill to drive and operate various motor-driven equipment including fire trucks, automobiles, and supply trucks.
- Ability to recognize the need for vehicle and equipment repairs and maintenance.
- Some knowledge of mechanic's tools and machinery.
- Knowledge of the rules, regulations, and procedures of the Department.
- Trains to learn all protocols and standing orders of the Departments sponsor hospital (Uconn)
- Knowledge of operations and maintenance of various types of fire apparatus and equipment used by the fire department, together with the ability to supervise the effective use of such equipment and apparatus.
- Knowledge of first-aid principals and skills in the application.
- Knowledge of proper maintenance and cleaning of Scott SCBA

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL EFFORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those employee encounters while performing the essential functions of the position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Tolerate extreme fluctuations in temperature while performing duties in hot, humid, atmospheres while wearing equipment that significantly impairs body-cooling mechanisms.
- Rely on senses of sight, hearing, smell, and touch to help determine the nature of the emergency, maintain personal safety, and make critical decisions in a confused, chaotic, and potentially life threatening environment throughout the duration of the operation.
- Work for long periods of time, requiring sustained physical activity and intense concentration.
- Perform a variety of tasks on slippery, hazardous surfaces such as rooftops or from ladders.
- Wear personal protective equipment that weighs approximately 50 pounds while performing firefighting tasks.
- Make rapid transitions from rest to near maximal exertion without warm-up periods.

GENERAL REQUIRED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

- High School Diploma or its equivalent
- Possession of a valid Motor Vehicle Operator's License (Q Restriction minimum, or CDL)
- Applicant has passed CPAT within the last 24 months on date of hire, or has been a career firefighter three years or more.
- Minimum 5 year's experience in firefighting, EMS, fire prevention and related subjects.
- State of Connecticut Basic EMT
- Certified Pro-Board Firefighter 2
- Certified Pro-Board Hazmat Awareness/Operational
- Certified in NIMS 100, 200, 700, and 800

PREFERRED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

- State of Connecticut Rescue Technician Core
- Certified Pro-Board Aerial Operator
- Certified Pro-Board Fire Instructor 1
- Certified Pro-Board Pump Operator

Note: The above tasks and responsibilities are illustrative only.