

FIRE FIGHTER/MEDIC III

NATURE AND VARIETY OF WORK

This is lead level technical fire fighter work, intermediate and/or advanced technical life support, and/or specialized work in the operation of fire pumps, aerial ladders, and heavy duty fire fighting equipment and apparatus. Such positions may lead lower graded Fire Fighter/Medic positions or substitute for higher graded Fire Fighter/Medic positions in their absence. At this level work may be performed as a member of an emergency Mobile Intensive Care Unit where a range of advanced emergency medical care services are administered under the guidance of a Paramedic and a licensed physician. Incumbents respond to the scene of emergencies and administer basic and advanced life support care to victims involved in emergency incidents. Incumbents may also be directly responsible for performing complex aspects of fire fighting tasks and responsibilities, in addition to developing schedules and arranging for repairs of equipment and apparatus; driving and operating emergency apparatus safely; protecting the life and property of County citizens and operating pumps, snorkels and rescue equipment. Work may expose incumbents to hazardous conditions/situations such as smoke inhalation; climbing at considerable heights; working in cramped high temperature areas and related conditions/situations. Work is performed within the rank structure hierarchy under the general supervision of a higher ranking fire/EMS officer, and is evaluated based upon adherence to established policies and procedures in the course of providing fire/EMS services and the efficiency and effectiveness of the fire/EMS emergency activities and operation of the unit to which assigned.

Incumbents are expected to complete the appropriate training and experience necessary for higher level positions as demonstrated by the passing of appropriate examinations.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (ILLUSTRATIVE ONLY)

Responds to fire/EMS emergencies, drives/operates various emergency vehicles and fire/EMS auxiliary equipment and performs fire/EMS services as needed.

Leads/trains and provides technical guidance to lower level fire/EMS professionals in the performance to their duties/tasks.

Serves as the Office-in-Charge in the absence of a supervisor.

Designs pre-plans of building/familiarization tours of assigned areas.

Conducts and participates in a variety of simulated training drills for pre-planning purposes and to maintain proficiency in fire/EMS techniques and equipment operation.

Conducts emergency equipment maintenance inspections, schedules various types of emergency equipment for repairs and maintains records of maintenance work performed.

Performs general maintenance work in the upkeep of equipment and apparatus, refers major maintenance to the appropriate authority, and makes minor repairs to property and equipment.

Independently performs home and building inspections and recommends and/or assists with corrective actions.

Uses communication equipment to give and receive emergency information.

Safely drives or rides emergency vehicles to and from emergency situations.

Rescues individuals involved in emergency situations and administers the necessary fire/EMS services.

Writes reports and completes forms.

Participates in special training and demonstrations.

Enters into buildings and other structures to facilitate effective firefighting and/or EMS services.

Maintains a variety of duty related logbooks.

Inspects assigned district to assure thorough knowledge of systems and any changes that will affect the delivery of fire/EMS services.

Prepares and uses various types of emergency equipment necessary to delivery fire/EMS services.

Removes people from buildings and other hazardous sites and renders emergency life support when necessary; participates in fire drills and attends classes in firefighting, basic, intermediate and/or advanced life support and related subjects.

Assists in setting up aid stations at the scene of emergency situations.

Records observations and prepares detailed reports.

Uses available technology to complete assignments.

Assists the higher-level fire/EMS professionals on advanced life support situations.

Maintains physical strength and agility requirements and general medical standards as specified.

Maintain all certifications required for working title.

Communicates effectively, expresses ideas, opinions, and analyze clearly concisely, both orally and in writing.

Establishes and maintains effective working relationships with diverse populations.

Willingly and cooperatively performs tasks and duties which may not be specifically listed in the class specification or position description, but which are within the general occupational category and responsibility level typically associated with the employee's class of work.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Thorough knowledge of fire/EMS principles, methods and techniques.

Ability to plan, coordinate, organize and control emergency related activities.

Thorough knowledge of the geography, building locations, and hazards of the County.

Thorough knowledge of building construction, techniques of firefighting and emergency medicine.

Thorough knowledge of County, State and Federal codes as they relate to hazardous materials (HAZMAT).

Ability to identify, analyze and handle hazardous materials.

Knowledge of basic mathematics and ability to apply correct calculations when required.

Thorough knowledge of intermediate life support techniques and methods.

Ability to react quickly and calmly and make good decisions in emergency situations.

Ability to learn the operation of relatively complex emergency fire/EMS equipment.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to learn to effectively operate technology associated with the operation and delivery of emergency services.

Ability to safely operate fire/EMS emergency equipment under emergency response conditions.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees

and the general public and the ability to deal with and understand and communicate with people from diverse backgrounds.

Ability to record and communicate accurate patient information.

Ability to meet and maintain specific license and certification requirements.

Ability to meet and maintain physical strength and agility requirements and general medical standards as specified.

Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Ability to use independent judgment/solve problems.

Ability to work in confined spaces without visibility.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum Qualifications For Promotion To This Position
<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ PGFD Career Recruit School for Fire Fighters➤ Satisfactory Past Performance Appraisal (PPA)➤ Classified as a Y02➤ County Certification EMT-I or Prior Classification as a S03➤ Completion of Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (JATC) program