



EDEN VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION PURPOSE:

Fire fighters have responsibility of protecting life and property from the hazards of fire. This protection is offered by applying fire suppression methods to control and stop property damage, by saving lives through rescue from fire or other hazardous environments, through safety inspections, and public fire safety education to prevent fires. Fire fighters respond to emergency calls to provide efficient and immediate care to the critically ill and injured. Fire fighters assist in other types of emergencies and disasters that may occur in the community.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The listed examples may not include all duties performed. Duties may vary somewhat from position to position.

- Attend and complete Basic Firefighting Course (NFPA 1001) within 2 years from date of hire.
- Respond to fire alarms and other emergency calls, extinguish or control fires as a member of a team under the supervision of an officer.
- Select, drag, lift, and carry hose and nozzle depending on type of fire, and correctly apply water or chemicals to fire.
- Position and climb ladders to gain access to upper levels of buildings or to assist individuals from burning structures.
- Assist injured persons and those overcome by fire and smoke.
- Wear appropriate protective clothing and equipment to include self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) depending on potential hazard exposure.
- Attend regular and assigned training sessions to maintain and upgrade fire-fighting skills.
- Actively participate in drills, demonstrations and courses in hydraulics, pump operation and maintenance, and fire-fighting techniques.
- Perform as driver/operator of fire fighting vehicles and equipment.
- Maintain vehicles and equipment in safe operational condition according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Attend and participate in necessary safety meetings and seminars, and follow the city's safety guidelines.
- Must be able to respond to no fewer than 30% of the fire calls each year.
- Must be able to attend no fewer than 75% of the meetings and 75% of the trainings each year.
- Must be able to work as a team member under stress caused by emergencies, danger, or criticism and must be able to work fast while concentrating hard.



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- Knowledge of English grammar and able to understand and communicate using written and spoken English.
- Ability to see and hear
- Must be able to lift a minimum of 75 pounds.
- Walking and/or mobility needed; Must be able to walk or crawl while carrying or lifting.
- Must be able to ascend and descend stairs or ladders.
- Must be capable of reaching (extending in any direction); handling (seizing, holding, grasping, turning); fingering (picking, pinching); and feeling (perceiving attributes of objects such as size, shape, temperature, or texture).
- Must possess a valid MN Class C Driver's License.
- Ability to work at an average height of 25 feet.
- Ability to work in confined space.
- If duties require wearing of SCBA, must not have conditions that prevent a good facial seal. The conditions may be: beards, side burns, eyeglasses, the absence of dentures or have facial features that prevent a seal between the facepiece and the face.