

Firefighter/Paramedic

Dept/Div: Fire Dept

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

General Definition of Work

Performs difficult protective service work responding to emergency calls, and related work as apparent or assigned. Work is performed under the close supervision of the Fire Captain and/or Shift Commander.

Qualification Requirements

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential function satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Essential Functions

Responds to emergency situations to mitigate hazards and uses knowledge of paramedicine to perform life saving duties.

Provides equipment readiness and vehicle maintenance, including drug checks, and EMS supplies.

Prepares reports, including EMS documentation, patient care reports, fire reports, and general information.

Performs inspections and pre-planning of all major target hazard buildings.

Provides stations' maintenance, cleaning, and EMS supply stock.

Conducts public relations and fire prevention education.

Provides department quality assurance oversight.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Thorough knowledge of emergency medical techniques and procedures; general knowledge of firefighting techniques and procedures as applied to fire suppression; general knowledge of technical firefighting principles and techniques and principles of hydraulics as applied to fire suppression; general knowledge of the street system and physical layout of the City; general knowledge of hazardous materials and accident extrication principles and technical rescue techniques; general knowledge of advanced life support principles and techniques; ability to work at heights and in confined spaces; ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions; ability to prepare detailed written and/or electronic reports; possession of physical endurance and agility; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with medical personnel, law enforcement personnel, academy recruits, other fire/ems agencies, associates and the general public.

Education and Experience

St. Louis County Fire Academy graduate and completion of paramedic studies.

Physical Requirements

This work requires the regular exertion of up to 10 pounds of force, frequent exertion of up to 25 pounds of force and occasional exertion of up to 50 pounds of force; work regularly requires standing, walking, speaking or hearing, pushing or pulling and repetitive motions, frequently requires sitting, stooping, kneeling, crouching or crawling, reaching with hands and arms and lifting and occasionally requires using hands to finger, handle or feel, climbing or balancing and tasting or smelling; work requires close vision, distance vision, ability to adjust focus, depth perception, color perception, night vision and peripheral vision; vocal communication is required for expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word and conveying detailed or important instructions to others accurately, loudly or quickly; hearing is required to perceive information at normal spoken word levels and to receive detailed information through oral communications and/or to make fine distinctions in sound; work requires preparing and analyzing written or computer data, using of measuring devices, operating machines, operating motor vehicles or equipment and observing general surroundings and activities; work regularly requires exposure to outdoor weather conditions, exposure to extreme heat (non-weather) and exposure to bloodborne pathogens and may be required to wear specialized personal protective equipment, frequently requires working near moving mechanical parts, exposure to fumes or airborne particles and wearing a self-contained breathing apparatus and occasionally requires wet, humid conditions (non-weather),

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working in high, precarious places, exposure to toxic or caustic chemicals, exposure to the risk of electrical shock and exposure to vibration; work is generally in a very loud noise location (e.g. jack hammer work, garbage recycle plant).

Special Requirements

State of Missouri Firefighter I & II certifications.

State of Missouri Paramedic license or national registration.

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) certification.

Pediatric Advance Life Support (PALS) certification.

International Trauma Life Support (ITLS) or Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS) certification.

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