

Firefighter

NON-EXEMPT

General Statement of Duties: Employee is responsible for work performed fighting, extinguishing, and preventing fires as well as vehicle extrication and other rescue situations. Duties also include driving and operating fire apparatus of the City of Newport. This position is directly supervised by the shift Captain or Battalion Chief on the assigned shift.

Equipment and Job Location: The employee will operate firefighting equipment including; hoses, saws, ladders, and SCBA. The employee will also operate all fire apparatus. Operation during emergency incident situations must be performed during all weather conditions.

Distinguishing Features: Drive pumper as well as operates pump; responds to incident calls in Newport when on duty; connects hose, holds nozzle, and directs fire streams; always acts with the safety of firefighters and the public foremost; directs and participates in pre-incident planning; reacts quickly and calmly in emergency situations; instructs and participates in training programs and drills with the department; forces entry for firefighting and rescue, uses fire extinguishers, uses many different tools for rescue and firefighting; responds to and trains for many emergency incidents including hazardous materials incidents at the operations level; positions and operates unmanned water monitors; positions apparatus appropriately; removes persons from danger and administers first aid if needed; positions and climbs ladders; participates in annual testing of apparatus and hose; participates in hydrant maintenance and testing when required; performs general maintenance, upkeep and cleaning of fire department property including buildings, grounds, vehicles, and tools and equipment; deals appropriately with citizen complaints regarding the Fire Department; and performs other related tasks as required.

Examples of Work Performed:

- medium to strenuous work requiring exertion to move objects: work requires climbing, crawling, stooping, walking, standing, pushing, pulling, lifting, feeling and other sensory and motor skills to accomplish a task
- work must be performed inside or outside in normal or extreme conditions
- work requires the proper knowledge and use of personal protective equipment for many different conditions and exposures
- attend meetings and public gatherings to explain Department activities
- attend conferences, schools, and conventions when needed
- speaks to schools and other organizations
- assists planning of fire prevention and safety programs

Required Knowledge and Abilities: Knowledge of personnel policies and procedures; knowledge of fire prevention methods; knowledge of Tennessee and Newport regulations on firefighting and fire prevention; knowledge of the City of Newport geographically; knowledge of a large variety of firefighting equipment; knowledge of fire records and reports; knowledge of Newport's provisions for emergency situations; ability to carry charged hose line into a structure or on fire ground; ability to wear personal protective equipment including SCBA; ability to perform strenuous labor for extended periods of time, frequently lifting objects weighing 50 to 100 pounds; ability to operate radio and other communications equipment; ability to operate power equipment; ability to drive fire apparatus at speeds consistent with safety, considering traffic, weather, road conditions, and including knowledge of laws regarding emergency vehicle operations in Tennessee; ability to operate and maintain pumper operations for extended periods; ability to work with the Fire Civil Service board of Newport; ability to drive and operate fire apparatus; ability to react quickly and calmly to an emergency situation and determine a proper course of action; ability to operate firefighting equipment; ability to express ideas and opinions clearly and concisely, to groups and individuals; and ability to maintain an effective relationship with the employees of Newport and the public.

Qualifications and Requisites:

Graduation from a standard high school
Completion of specialized courses for firefighting principals, practices, and administration
Possession of a valid Tennessee Operator's license

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ADA REQUIREMENTS

Physical Requirements: Task involves the regular, and at times sustained, performance of heavier physical tasks such as walking over rough or uneven surfaces, bending, stooping, working in confined spaces, and lifting or carrying moderately heavy (20-50 lbs.) items and occasionally very heavy (100 lbs. or over) items; or may involve the complex operation of gasoline, electric, or diesel-powered machinery or equipment requiring the manipulation of multiple controls, fine adjustments or both.

Environmental Requirements:

Task requires that work be performed in adverse environmental conditions and may require the use of self-contained breathing apparatus.

Sensory Requirements: Task requires color perception and discrimination. Task requires sound perception and discrimination. Task requires odor perception and discrimination. Task requires depth perception and discrimination. Task requires texture perception and discrimination. Task requires visual perception and discrimination. Task requires oral communications ability.

Reasonable Accommodation(s): Reasonable accommodation(s) if needed will be provided for the employee to perform the required job with adequate strength, dexterity, coordination and visual acuity.

Employee Name

Date

Witness Name

Date