

Part-Time Firefighter/EMT

JOB SUMMARY:

A firefighter/EMT participates on fire suppression activities including firefighting, rescue, EMS, ventilation, forcible entry, salvage and overhaul, and pre-plan fire inspections. He/she will also be responsible for performing fire prevention education.

DUTIES AND REPONSIBILITIES:

The duties and responsibilities described below are indicative of what the firefighter/EMT may be asked to perform; other duties may be assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Any combination of training and work experience, which indicates possession of the knowledge, skills and abilities, listed below. An example of an acceptable qualification for this position is:

High school diploma or GED; must be at least 18 years of age; must reside, or be willing to relocate, in Wyoming County, New York or adjacent county. Must possess New York Firefighter Level I or II certification and a valid New York driver's license. Must possess state certification as an EMT or Paramedic.

Firefighting:

- Directs fire streams and extinguishes fires in a variety of situations including residential occupancies, commercial building, vehicle fires, and grass fires.
- Rescues victims from occupancies filled with heat, smoke, and toxic gases by entering occupancy and physically removing victims.
- Frees victims trapped in automobile accidents, truck accidents, airplane crashes, etc. using a variety of extrication tools.
- Advances fire hose lines up stairways, ladders, and fire escapes to extinguish fires in upper levels.
- Opens by force all types of doors and windows to gain entrance to areas involved in fire, using numerous manual and mechanical entry tools.
- Removes fire hose lines from fire apparatus and assists fire apparatus driver in Fire Department pumper connections.
- Removes fire debris after fire is extinguished to locate hidden fires and prevent rekindle.

Emergency Medical Care:

- Help to resuscitate patients in an emergency before hospital admission
- Provide medical assistance during emergency situations, such as CPR, AED, prevent shock, control severe bleeding, prevent spinal damage, etc.
- Evaluate a patient's condition in order to determine the right course of treatment
- Monitor patient's condition and keep it stable while en route to the hospital
- Aid in the transfer of patients to the emergency units of hospitals

- Help to calm down the family members of the victim and the public on the scene
- Create a patient care report and take notes of the medical treatment given to the patient
- Keep the equipment clean after use; check and replace damaged and used supplies
- Decontaminate the interior of the ambulance if it is used to transport a patient suffering from a contagious disease

Non-Emergency Duties:

- Assists in cleaning and maintaining apparatus quarters, building, equipment, grounds, and other related work as required.
- Pre-plans fires in occupancies to record information pertaining to the location of fire hydrants, exposure hazards, life hazards, etc.
- Provides fire prevention and public fire safety education programs as necessary.
- Demonstrates firefighting tools, equipment, and emergency medical equipment in quarters to groups visiting stations when assigned.
- Cleans, repairs, and maintains facility and equipment; checks equipment and performs tasks to ensure proper operation of emergency and firefighting equipment; checks, fills, and changes oxygen cylinders; checks and maintains oxygen masks; conducts equipment inventory as needed; works at a desk and answers telephone/radios; performs general yard work around; cleans and maintains firehall.
- Prepares and submits records, reports, or other documentation as required.

PHYSICAL WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The physical demands and work environment described are representative of those that must be met to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.

A firefighter/EMT must regularly be required to stand, walk, sit, talk, and hear, use hands to finger, handle or feel. Also, regularly must be able to bend, stoop, twist, and reach with hands and arms.

- A volunteer may be asked on a regular basis to lift 50 pounds.
- Vision requirements are close, distance and color vision, peripheral and depth perception and ability to adjust focus.
- Volunteers may be expected to perform duties outdoors in all types of weather on emergency scenes.
- At emergency scenes the volunteer may be required to lift persons and objects in excess of 100 lbs.
- Volunteers at emergency scenes will be required to work at excessive heights via use of ladders or lifting devices and will be exposed to excessive heat, cold, wet and hazardous situations.

LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- State of New York motor vehicle operator's license; New York Firefighter Level I or II, and New York EMT or Paramedic with related certifications.