



CITY OF SPRINGDALE
Position Description

POSITION TITLE: Firefighter-EMT

Exempt (Y/N): No

DEPARTMENT: Fire

DATE PREPARED: August, 2006

SUPERVISOR: Captain

SUMMARY

The purpose of this position is to have available on a 24 hour basis a person specifically trained to respond to emergency situations involving fire, medical emergencies, hazardous materials or special rescues, and to provide support for fire prevention efforts. This position is responsible to perform job duties in an accurate manner in order to protect the life and property of the citizens of the City of Springdale.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

1. Emergency response for fire suppression, EMS, Hazmat, and other forms of special rescues.
2. Provide fire suppression in all types of fire situations.
3. Perform search and rescue operations at fires to locate and remove victims.
4. Perform ventilation operations at fires to remove smoke and heat from structures.
5. Participate in training classes and drills to maintain and enhance fire fighting and EMS skills.
6. Public education and fire safety education with children, adults and schools.
7. Clean and maintain station and equipment.
8. Personal, company and department training.

9. Regularly participates in either group or self-directed physical fitness activities during duty hours.
10. Conduct pre-fire plans with local businesses and establishments.
11. Back-up driver.
12. Assist Driver/Operator with truck and equipment checks daily and perform hose and pump testing annually.
13. Perform recordkeeping.
14. Perform other related duties as required or assigned.

Budget Responsibility: \$ Up to \$10,000 Annual dollars
Facilities and Equipment Responsibility: \$ 750,000 Total value

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

High school diploma or GED plus specialized training and/or additional college courses and 19-23 months of related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience and a minimum of 7-11 months of management experience.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions, and procedure manuals. Ability to write routine reports and correspondence. Ability to speak effectively before groups of customers or employees of organization.

MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, area, circumference, and volume. Ability to apply concepts of basic algebra and geometry.

REASONING ABILITY

Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists. Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS

Must possess a valid Arkansas Driver's License, Firefighter I & II Standards Certificate, Arkansas EMT Certificate, Hazardous Material Operations Level, CPR, Incident Command System.

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Regular contacts within the department and with other departments as needed.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Regular contacts with citizens, business owners, local law enforcement, outside representatives, community groups as needed.

USE OF EQUIPMENT AND/OR COMPUTERS

Must be proficient in the use of a personal computer, standard office equipment, standard firefighting and emergency response equipment.

OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Ability to utilize both internal and external resources to obtain information and data necessary to carry out routine assignments and special projects. Must have ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with management and staff.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions and expectations.

While performing the functions of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to stand, walk, and sit. The employee is occasionally required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and taste or smell. The employee must regularly lift and/or move more than 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the functions of this job, the employee is occasionally exposed to wet/and or humid conditions, moving mechanical parts; high, precarious places, fumes or airborne particles; toxic or caustic chemicals; outside weather conditions; extreme cold; extreme heat; risk of electrical shock; works with explosives; risk of radiation; and risk of vibration.

The noise level in the work environment is usually loud.