

**JOB DESCRIPTION**

**FIREFIGHTER I**

**POSITION SUMMARY**

Perform fire suppression and fire prevention work and provide emergency medical service for the protection of health, life and property by responding to fire, emergency medical and hazardous incidents, water rescue related emergencies and automobile accidents.

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

* Participates in community events, representing the Fire Department and City of Pittsburg (parades, back to school events, festivals, etc.
* Perform firefighting tasks participating in fire ground tactical fire operations, rescuing occupants from burning structures; water rescue, hazardous incidents, automobile accidents, etc.
* Respond to emergency medical calls providing medical treatment to preserve life and reduce severity of injuries to the public.
* Perform fire prevention and inspection duties and take action to address problems.
* Tour buildings in assigned fire response zone and pre-plan actions in case of fire or other emergency.
* Attend and participate in fire and EMS training activities in order to maintain skills and keep abreast of new techniques in firefighting and emergencies.
* Maintain all equipment used in firefighting, EMS and specialty rescue response in ready condition on assigned apparatus.
* Responsible for the maintenance and care of vehicles, equipment, living quarters, fire station and surrounding grounds at the assigned station and for notifying the Captain (supervisor) of any safety hazards or other problems with the structure or contents.
* Talk to individuals and small groups about fire prevention topics and give tours of the fire station as requested.
* Answer station telephone providing information and taking messages as necessary.

**Department:** Fire **Classification/FLSA:** Full Time, Non-Exempt

**Location:** Fire Station **Reports To:** Fire Chief

**Supervises:** No one **Salary Range:** $7.71 - $13.40

**Benefits:** Per City Handbook **Travel:** As needed

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**FIREFIGHTER I continued**

**POSITION COMPETENCIES**

* Knowledge of firefighting equipment, techniques and procedures.
* Knowledge of emergency medical equipment, techniques, terminology and protocols at the EMT level.
* Knowledge of fire safety techniques, policies, standards and operating procedures of the Pittsburg Fire Department.
* Ability to work in difficult environmental conditions including donning and use of personal protective equipment, toxic and chemical fumes, smoke, heights, extreme heat, darkness, confined spaces, etc.
* Ability to perform strenuous activities such as lifting, pushing pulling, etc. requiring cardiovascular strength and endurance and good upper and lower body strength.
* Skill in the operation of fire fighting equipment and tools.
* Ability to understand the incident management system and the chain of command.
* Good communication and interpersonal skills along with the ability to work effectively as a team member.

**EDUCATION**

* High School Diploma or equivalent
* 18 years of age
* Licenses/Certifications
  + Emergency Medical Technician Certification
  + Firefighter I and II Certifications
  + Haz-Mat Certification
  + Valid Driver's License
  + National Incident Management System (NIMS) levels 100, 200, 700, and 800

**PHYSICAL DEMANDS**

Occasional maximum lift of 100 lbs floor to knuckle; frequent maximum lift 50 lbs floor to shoulder; occasional maximum lift of 38 lbs floor to overhead; occasional maximum carry of 100 lbs 10 ft; occasional maximum carry of 36 lbs 100 feet; occasional maximum vertical pull force of 185 lbs; occasional maximum vertical push force of 60 lb; occasional maximum horizontal pull force of 175 lbs; occasional maximum horizontal push/pull force of 75 lbs; frequent maximum horizontal push/pull force of 20 lbs; occasional maximum grip force of 90 lbs; occasional stair and ladder climb; frequent bend; occasional kneel / crouch; frequent forward reach; occasional overhead reach; occasional crawl; frequent sit; frequent stand and frequent walk.

**WORKING CONDITIONS**

Crew may navigate through rough terrain (in wooded areas), in/out of steep ravines, etc. They may be exposed to all weather conditions, bloodborne pathogens, toxic fumes and hazardous situations

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