

RESERVE FIREFIGHTER I/II POSITION DESCRIPTION

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DEFINITION

Under supervision of Mariposa County Fire Command and Control Cal Fire Staff, a Reserve Firefighter I performs routine general maintenance and cleaning of fire stations, buildings and grounds to maintain compliance of local and state codes and ordinances; cleans, maintains and tests emergency equipment and apparatus; assists Fire Prevention Specialist I/II with public education and inspections; works in the Mariposa County Service Center as needed; and responds to rescue calls within two minutes during the day and three minutes in the evening performing firefighting duties, including combating, extinguishing, and preventing fires; provides medical assistance, and does other related work as directed such as recruitment projects and public promotion/education of Mariposa County Fire Department.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Performs general maintenance and minor repair work as comfortable and knowledgeable to County Fire Stations including painting interiors and exteriors, cleaning of windows, cleaning of floors, windowsills, baseboards, shelves, countertops, and all other surfaces; repairing of water lines, custodial duties as assigned. Maintains grounds of County Fire Stations including sweeping, weed eating, weeding, pruning, watering, mowing, trimming, fertilizing, spraying of weed control chemicals, and maintaining irrigation systems. Uses safe procedures, methods, tools and equipment used in general maintenance work. Trouble shoots and make minor repairs as comfortable and knowledgeable of tools and equipment used in general maintenance and custodial work. Works with and assists Fire Prevention Inspector I/II with general public to conduct fire safety presentations and provides information regarding fire prevention and life safety. As requested, inspects a variety of structures and facilities ensuring compliance with all State and local fire codes. Assists in weed abatement, brush and combustible vegetation clearance inspections accordance to PRC 4291 and local ordinances. Responds to emergency calls, fire alarms and non-emergency calls to perform arduous work as a member of a fire company, operates radio and illumination generators. Administers first aid, lays and connects hose lines, moves charged hose lines, holds nozzles and directs water streams, carries, raises and climbs ladders, enters burning buildings to remove persons from danger or as a coordinated strategy/tactic to prevent further fire damage, performs salvage and overhaul tactics as directed. Uses chemical extinguishers, axes, hooks, lines, power-driven tools, cutting torches and other equipment. Ventilates by breaching walls or roofs inside/outside and on top of buildings to release heat and smoke. Place's salvage covers to prevent damage. Overhauls and cleans up after a fire to prevent rekindling; checks fire scene for point of origin and source of ignition and preserves evidence which may indicate arson or cause of fire. Returns company equipment to its proper place before leaving the emergency scene. Participates in drills and training sessions. Compiles and submits information on equivalent runs, accidents, and fire inspections.

RESERVE FIREFIGHTER II

In addition to the duties listed herein, is a recognized/qualified Driver/Operator of Type I, II, III, VI engines and Water Tenders for Mariposa County Fire.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

Makes independent, sound decisions. Deals with the public in difficult work situations with tact and courtesy. Enforces pertinent fire codes, ordinances, laws and regulations with impartiality and efficiency. Organization skills and ability to learn various programs such as Service Center, Ladder Testing, Pump Testing, SCBA flow testing. The work requires an understanding of lifesaving and firefighting methods gained through a program of specialized training and through experience. Duties may involve considerable physical exertion and potential risk to health and emergency readiness while wearing heavy protective equipment and Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus. Self-starter, highly motivated to perform required duties with a high standard and ethics. Experience as a Volunteer or paid Firefighter or ability to obtain necessary training to perform the duties of a Reserve Firefighter I/II for Mariposa County Fire.

Minimum Knowledge, Skills, Abilities and Personal Characteristics

Ability to visualize how mechanical things work and understand the inter-relationship of parts; to remember and learn from oral instruction; to comprehend and learn from written material and follow written instructions; to read maps, diagrams and plans; to keep records and complete forms; to analyze situations quickly and reach sound conclusions; to remain calm and function effectively in emergency situations; to present information and ideas to individuals or groups working as an effective team member; to perform work activities which require endurance, balance, coordination, arm and shoulder strength, leg and back strength; to learn the terminology and procedures used in the fire service.

Willingness to work in a hazardous environment and risk personal safety if necessary, to learn and study on one's own time, and to take orders.

Knowledge of: applicable government codes, terminology and procedures used in the fire service, construction materials and principles, safety clothing, fire equipment and apparatus, use and maintenance of radio communications, electrical and natural gas emergency procedures, fire ground technology, watershed fires and fire handline construction, fire prevention, suspicious fire procedures, hose evolutions, the theory of combustion, rescue tools and techniques, radiological instrumentation, structural firefighting procedures, salvage, overhaul, ventilation, the buildings and streets within station boundaries, ropes and knots, hazardous materials.

Skills: Operating a variety of hand and power tools, identifying potential fire hazards, first aid treatment of injuries and burns, performing company evolutions, reading records and pre-fire planning forms.

Licenses/Certificates

Valid California driver's license.

Obtain and maintain Title 22-compliant Public Safety-First Aid and CPR certification or higher. Completion of department fire academy or equivalence challenge, Firefighter task book, and maintain all relevant/required training in accordance to SOG/Policy 2.5.5

PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates for Firefighter may be required to meet such medical and physical standards as prescribed by County policy and the Department physician in accordance to policy 2.3.3.

Ability to sit, stand, walk, run, kneel, crouch, stoop, reach, crawl, twist, climb, drive, and lift 70 pounds; exposure to heat, cold, extreme noise, outdoors, confining workspace, electrical hazards, vibration, chemicals and dust, toxic waste, mechanical hazards, explosive materials; and available for on-call emergency response.

This class specification lists the major duties and requirements of the job and is not all-inclusive. Incumbents may be expected to perform job-related duties other than those contained in this document.

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