

CLASSIFICATION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: FIRE LIEUTENANT JOB CODE: 16 (Non-Exempt)

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

Under direction of a Fire Captain, the purpose of the position is to provide first-line command over an emergency response unit, e.g., Engine Company, ladder truck, rescue squad. Employees in this classification perform in an entry level management capacity to direct and supervise emergency response activities, e.g., fire suppression, EMS, hazardous materials control. Position is accountable for the supervision of the assigned shift and their respective fire house responsibilities and activities. Performs related work as directed.

SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The list of essential functions, as outlined herein, is intended to be representative of the tasks performed within this classification. It is not necessarily descriptive of any one position in the class. The omission of an essential function does not preclude management from assigning duties not listed herein if such functions are a logical assignment to the position.

- Supervises, assigns and evaluates the activities and responsibilities of the assigned fire response unit, e.g., EMT/Paramedic Firefighters.
- Supervises response to fire alarms in the City and emergency medical calls; leads the suppression and extinguishing fires; stabilizes patients; leads emergency medical activities and hazardous materials control.
- Ensures all response activities are in compliance with all State Rules and Medical Director's standards for EMT and Paramedic medical care.
- Operates and inspects Fire Department vehicles; operates, utilizes and maintains Fire
 Department equipment and gear; operates, tests and maintains pumps and hydrants; ensures
 all proper inspections and maintenance are in compliance with standard codes and
 regulations.
- Rescues victims from vehicles, drowning, accidents, fire, and other harmful conditions;
 communicates with dispatch, emergency room physicians and staff, police, fire officers and related personnel for the accurate and efficient dissemination of information.
- In accordance with certification level (Paramedic or EMT), administers Basic Life Support to injured or afflicted persons; stabilizes patients for transport as a team member of an Advanced Life Support Emergency Medical Services Unit; performs Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR); administers spinal and cervical immobilization; verifies vital signs; evaluates patient

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status.

- Supervises salvage operations after emergency situation is controlled and/or suppressed.
- Supervises and performs custodial and technical duties at the station, e.g., cleaning and maintaining Fire Station facilities and equipment, inspection of fire equipment for necessary repairs.
- Prepares and submits various State and National incident records and reports.
- Attends continuing education programs in firefighting and first aid.
- Assists Citizens with care seat installations and training and participates in other ancillary duties, as assigned.
- Communicates with other departments and public agencies for the dissemination of information; leads and participates in public education and community outreach programs.
- Performs related duties as directed.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Associates Degree in a related field supplemented by a minimum of three years, five preferred, of responsible firefighting experience and have been working in the capacity as a Driver Engineer. Must possess all certifications required as a Firefighter/EMT or Firefighter/Paramedic. Must possess all certifications required as a Driver Engineer.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS OR REGISTRATIONS

Must possess Florida State Firefighters Minimum Standards Certificate.

Must possess current Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certification.

Must possess Fire Officer I & II (Fire Officer I obtained prior to May 2013 is the equivalent of Fire Officer I & II)

Must possess Fire Inspector Certification.

Must possess a valid Florida Driver's License

Must possess and maintain the National Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification (must acquire within one year from date of appointment)

Within three years of appointment, must acquire an Associate's Degree in a related field,

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Ability to effectively supervise a staff comprised of entry and journey level professionals engaged in carrying out fire suppression, EMS, hazardous materials control functions.
- Ability to supervise and enforce safe First Aid/medical rescue methods, procedures and practices.
- Considerable knowledge of current principles and practices of fire rescue and EMT/Paramedic work, governing laws, ordinances, policies and procedures.

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- Considerable knowledge of pre-established City, County and State policies and procedures applicable to the work.
- Skill in Basic Life Support (BLS) methods, procedures and practices as well as an understanding of Advanced Life Support Operations.
- Skill in the principles and techniques of customer relations skills; ability to deal diplomatically
 with irate, violent or frantic individuals; ability to react quickly and calmly in emergency
 situations.
- Ability to analytically observe, and objectively and clearly report routine and non-routine, emergency and non-emergency activities.
- Ability to understand and follow written and oral instructions.
- Ability to clearly communicate information both verbally and in writing.
- Ability to read, update and maintain various records and files.
- Ability to operate basic office equipment.
- Ability to access, operate and maintain various software applications.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with departmental staff, supervisors and the general public.
- Ability to interpret a variety of instructions in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

- While performing the essential functions of this job some tasks involve the ability to exert very
 moderate physical effort in light work, typically involving some combination of sitting, standing
 and/or walking.
- Emergency tasks and training involve the performance of physically demanding work, which
 may involve some combination of running, climbing or jumping, and may involve the lifting,
 carrying, pushing, and/or pulling of moderately heavy and/or heavy objects, materials and/or
 persons. (20-150 pounds).
- Must be able to wear protective clothing and equipment up to 60 pounds and work in extremely high temperatures and toxic atmospheres.
- In responding to critical incidents, the incumbent may be exposed to fire, fumes or airborne
 particles, toxic or caustic substances, excessive noise, temperature extremes, and
 dampness/humidity. The incumbent may be exposed to possible bodily injury from falling
 from high, exposed places; moving mechanical parts of equipment, tools, and machinery.

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