



## DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT JOB DESCRIPTION

### **IDENTIFICATION:**

POSITION TITLE: **Firefighter/Paramedic – Full-Time**  
DEPARTMENT: Fire  
IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR: Lieutenant or Captain

### **JOB SUMMARY**

Under general supervision, performs fire suppression/fire prevention duties; assesses, treats acutely ill and injured citizens; performs rescue procedures, operates emergency fire apparatus and emergency medical equipment; performs fire inspections and prevention programs; participates in Fire/EMS training, station and equipment maintenance; and performs related work as required.

### **ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS**

- Performs fire suppression duties; deploys fire hose for suppression and water supply; enters fired building locating and extinguishing fire; searches for and rescues fire victims.
- Performs salvage operations; raises and places ladder to preserve property; overhauls fire scene to prevent rekindle.
- Helps preserve fire scene for investigation.
- Operates and maintains fire apparatus including pumpers, aerial ladders and ambulance.
- Performs fire prevention inspections, pre-fire plans on commercial/public facilities; fire prevention educational programs; participates in on-going continuing education programs.



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- Performs emergency medical duties; evaluates sick and injured persons; performs basic and advanced pre-hospital care; operates technical medical monitoring equipment; stabilizes and lifts patients, calculates drug dosages; completes evaluation and treatment forms.
- Performs the functions required for their Area of Responsibility (AOR) as assigned.
- May function as an Acting Lieutenant if so qualified/cleared and when doing so will function under the Lieutenant's job description.
- Provides leadership and guidance to the part-time staff.

## **OTHER JOB FUNCTIONS**

Performs equipment inspections, preventive maintenance of vehicles and equipment, minor repairs to equipment, vehicles and facilities. May be required to assist in or conduct public education programs in Fire or EMS related subjects, completes records and reports. In addition to these duties, the firefighter is required to participate in company-level fire safety inspections.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

To perform this job successfully, the individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

## **EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE**

- High School Diploma or GED



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## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Ability to read, analyze, and interpret common scientific and technical journals, financial reports, and legal documents. Can respond to inquiries or complaints from citizens, regulatory agencies, or members of the business community. Ability to write speeches and articles for publication that conform to prescribed style and format. Can effectively present information to top management, public groups, and boards of directors.

## **MATHEMATICAL SKILLS**

Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, area, circumference, and volume. Ability to work with mathematical concepts such as basic algebra, basic geometry, probability and statistical inference, and fundamentals of plane and solid geometry and trigonometry. Ability to apply concepts such as fractions, percentages, ratios, and proportions to practical situations.

## **REASONING ABILITY**

Ability to apply principles of logical or scientific thinking to a wide range of intellectual and practical problems. Ability to deal with nonverbal symbolism (formulas, scientific equations, graphs, musical notes, etc.) in its most difficult phases. 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.

## **OTHER KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

Ability to assess, plan, organize, and execute essential job functions without a need for constant supervision; ability to demonstrate a thorough knowledge of rules and regulations of the department and other authorities; ability to cooperate with fellow employees and general public, ability to communicate and interpret information of highly technical nature to construction contractors, building officials, and inspection professionals; ability to understand written and oral instructions; ability to exhibit emotional stability and courage as a Fire Inspector dealing with contractors under



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significant time restraint; must be of good moral character with ability to distinguish and disseminate sensitive information; must become knowledgeable of the geography within the Township, locations and status of water supply systems, alarm systems, and fire suppression systems.

### **REQUIRED CERTIFICATES, AND/OR LICENSES**

- Valid Ohio Driver's License
- Ohio Career Firefighter Certification
- Ohio EMT-Paramedic Certification
- Ohio Fire Safety Inspector Certification within 12 months of appointment
- Hazardous Materials Technician Training required within 12 months of appt.

### **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.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel. The employee is occasionally required to stand; walk; sit; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and taste or smell. The employee must frequently 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.



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While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly exposed to moving mechanical parts, fumes or airborne particles, and outside weather conditions. The employee is frequently exposed to toxic or caustic chemicals, extreme heat, and risk of electrical shock. The employee is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions; high, precarious places; explosives; risk of radiation; and vibration. The noise level in the work environment is usually loud.

## **SELECTION GUIDELINES**

The final selection is subject to the approval of the Township Administrator and Township Board of Trustees.

The duties listed above are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

The job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirements of the job change.