



JOB SPECIFICATION

Code 19030
Grade GS 48

CERTIFIED FIREFIGHTER TRAINEE

General Purpose

Under immediate supervision, perform advanced El Paso Fire Academy departmental indoctrination training assignments to develop and specifically apply previously acquired knowledge, abilities and skills of a state certified Firefighter, and to become a locally credentialed Emergency Medical Technician, as required.

Typical Duties

Participate in classroom lectures, response simulations, live field exercises and other orientation activities, including rigorous physical preparation, written testing and performance evaluations. Involves: Study and practice, as qualified, job related structural firefighting and basic emergency medical care methods according to established department rules, regulations, protocols and standards including, but not limited to, fire and rescue tactics, patient care, safety and survival techniques, ladder operations and hose deployment, engine and ambulance operation and maintenance, self contained breathing apparatus use, hazardous materials awareness, station and company familiarization, computer and communications systems procedures, property salvage and security guidelines, and incident reporting and administrative recordkeeping. Respond to emergency incidents as instructed by the Training Chief.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Application of some knowledge of fire suppression and prevention principles, and related apparatus operations.
- Application of some knowledge of fire hazards related to various types of construction and flammable materials.
- Application of some knowledge of emergency medical care principles, drugs, and related apparatus operations
- Application of some knowledge of medical hazards related to patient care.
- Comprehend, learn and apply training materials and field or classroom training instructions.
- Follow El Paso Fire Academy disciplines.
- Establish and maintain effective training relationships with fellow trainees and instructors.

Other Job Characteristics

- Frequently withstand vigorous physical demands which includes moving agilely in classroom or field training environments.
- Successful completion of written, physical, and skills testing during the Academy session.

Minimum Qualifications

Education and Experience: High School Diploma or GED supplemented by completion of postsecondary Basic Firefighter and Basic Emergency Medical Technician courses.

Licenses and Certificates: Texas Class "C" Driver's License or equivalent from another state. Texas Class "B" Driver's License Permit by time of entry into Academy. Must possess current Texas State Commission on Fire Protection Basic Structural Firefighter Certification and Texas Department of Health Basic Emergency Medical Technician Certification at time of application. Certifications must be current and in good standing with no deficiency status.

Special Requirements: Must be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age and meet El Paso Fire Department pre-appointment standards including a rigid background investigation and a comprehensive medical examination with drug screening.