

**JOB DESCRIPTION REQUIREMENTS  
FIREFIGHTER/ EMT**

**GENERAL PURPOSE**

TO RESPOND TO FIRES, MEDICAL EMERGENCIES AND OTHER EMERGENCIES TO PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

1. BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE
2. BE ELIGIBLE TO WORK IN THE UNITED STATES
3. APPLICANT MUST HAVE A CURRENT TEXAS DRIVER'S LICENSE. A CLASS "B" IS PREFERRED. (AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT MUST HAVE A VALID TEXAS DRIVER'S LICENSE WITH AN INSURABLE DRIVING RECORD. SHALL OBTAIN A TEXAS CLASS B LICENSE WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF APPOINTMENT.)
4. HAVE A CURRENT BASIC STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTER'S CERIFICATION ISSUED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON FIRE PROTECTION.
5. HAVE A CURRENT EMT-B (PARAMEDIC PREFERRED) CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES.
6. HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OF G.E.D. APPLICANT MUST ATTACH A COPY TO THE APPLICATION.
7. MUST BE ABLE TO READ AND WRITE ENGLISH AND SPANISH
8. APPLICANT MUST BE ABLE TO PERFORM ASSIGNED FIREFIGHTING/EMS DUTIES UNDER EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS.
9. APPLICANT MUST BE ABLE TO PERFORM ASSIGNED FIREFIGHTING/EMS DUTIES UNDER TRAUMATIC/STRESSFUL SITUATIONS.
10. OTHER DUTIES ASSIGNED MAY INCLUDE VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE, HYDRANT MAINTENANCE, BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND PUBLIC EDUCATION OR OTHER DUTIES.
11. ALL APPLICANTS ARE SUBJECT TO LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL RECORDS AND / OR FILES TO DISLOSE ANY CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS AND TO VERIFY DRIVING HISTORY RECORD. APPLICANTS WILL ALSO BE SUBJECT TO A DRUG TEST.
12. NOT HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY OFFENSE. APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF HIS/HER CURRENT CERTIFICATE(S). DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED TO APPLICATION.

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WORKPLACE**