



COMSTOCK TOWNSHIP FIRE & RESCUE

Firefighter, Paid-on-call/Part-time

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Approved: Matt Beauchamp, Fire Chief

Status: Non-Exempt

I. NATURE OF WORK

Under the supervision of a higher classified officer or senior firefighter designated, responds to emergency fire, rescue, and medical service requests as part of a firefighting unit. Carries out a variety of tasks relating to setting up firefighting apparatus, controlling fires and lifesaving, using defined practices, procedures, standards and regulations. In addition, performs routine maintenance and cleaning of fire equipment and facilities of the fire station. Must be physically fit to perform the duties of the job, and mentally capable of performing in stressful situations.

II. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Receives notification of fires, accidents and medical emergencies and promptly serves as driver or crewmember on rescue or fire apparatus, or support vehicle, traveling to the requested service area. Fire apparatus is defined as a large vehicle that has an air brake system requiring a CDL or firefighter air brake exception training.
- B. Receives general procedural assignments and carries out supportive tasks such as laying and connecting hose lines, setting water pressure, readying manual equipment, opening hydrants and positioning equipment.
- C. With emphasis on life saving, enters burning buildings and other hazardous areas to rescue trapped or confused individuals. Must be physically able to remove victims and conform to physical requirements for wearing Self Contained Breathing Apparatus as applicable regulations dictate.
- D. Participates in extinguishing and/or controlling fires by directing water or chemical solutions to appropriate areas. Utilize all personal protective equipment as policies dictate.
- E. Ventilates building areas using axes and other cutting devices. Climbs ladders and utilizes aerial apparatus to reach elevated areas. Uses shovels, wrenches and other manual tools.
- F. Participates in post-fire cleanup, shutting down hydrants, returning equipment to apparatus and securing equipment.
- G. Cleans equipment and apparatus, washing vehicles, testing and maintaining equipment, and cleaning and drying hose. Performs various building and grounds maintenance activities.
- H. As assigned, performs assorted housekeeping chores at the fire station.
- I. Participates in a variety of fire prevention and fire safety activities, conducting public demonstrations, presentations, and talks to schools and other interested groups.

- J. Attends in-house and outside formal training sessions involving the methods, techniques and procedures used in firefighting, rescue, and emergency medical assistance.
- K. Checks fire hydrants for working condition and to assure that water is drained from hydrants.
- L. Responds to calls for emergency medical assistance. Performs cardiopulmonary resuscitation, checks vital signs and stabilizes emergency patients as needed, prior to reaching professional medical care.
- M. Performs various clerical duties, maintaining records and preparing a variety of related reports regarding emergency and non-emergency departmental activities.
- N. Maintains satisfactory health and physical condition required for the performance of essential functions of the job, and as may be further specified by other standards and regulations adopted by the Department or Township Board. Participates in physical or health assessment examinations as department and Township policy dictates.
- O. May perform the work of a higher-level employee as dictated by absence or emergency.
- P. Must maintain a current Michigan motor vehicle operator's license without restrictions (other than corrective lenses requirement).
- Q. Must maintain high standards of conduct and appearance so as to reflect a professional image at all times.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this classification. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all job duties performed by personnel so classified.

III. QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Education: Possession of a high school diploma or its equivalent.
- B. Experience: This is an entry level position; no specific experience is required. Twelve-month break-in (probationary) period for candidates not fully trained. Candidates fully trained (FF I&II, EMS Licensed, HazMat Ops & Drivers Training Classroom) will have a six-month break-in (probationary) period.
- C. Necessary Special Requirements: Successful completion of the required firefighter and emergency medical training within the probationary period, possession of a valid Michigan motor vehicle operator's license, submit to a criminal history and driving records check. Satisfactory completion of physical or health assessment examination as required.

