

FIRE CAPTAIN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

Employees in this class are charged with the responsibility for directing the work of firefighters and subordinate officers at the scene of fires and in the station. A high degree of responsibility is involved for the protection of lives and property at the scene of fires. In the absence of or pending arrival of the Fire Chief, a Captain has complete charge of fire fighting operations and a Captain may be in charge during an assigned shift in the absence of the Chief. Performs duties, responsibilities and carries out orders as directed by superior officers.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

1. Responds to alarms and requests assistance as needed; directs the work of firefighters at scene of fires and in station;
2. Assigns personnel to lay out and connect hose lines and nozzles, direct hose streams, raise ladders and ventilate buildings;
3. Supervises and assists in salvage operations during and immediately following a fire;
4. Inspects equipment, grounds and station to insure proper order and condition;
5. Inspects buildings for fire hazards;
6. Maintains discipline;
7. Makes daily reports of personnel and activities; recommends changes to operations;
8. Supervises the maintenance and repair of all hoses, nozzles, hydrant gates, fire extinguishers, life net, inhalators and related equipment;
9. Trains and drills career and volunteer firefighters;
10. Does related work as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of modern fire fighting and fire prevention methods; good knowledge of local fire prevention laws and ordinances; good knowledge of State and County Mutual Aid Systems; good knowledge of the use of maintenance of fire fighting equipment; good knowledge of departmental rules and regulations; good knowledge of first aid methods; good knowledge of geography of the locality; good knowledge of fire hazards and fire history of the locality; ability to lay out and supervise the work of others and to maintain discipline at fires; tact and courtesy; good judgment; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Promotion:

One (1) year of permanent competitive class status as a Fire Lieutenant.

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