

## **NATURE OF WORK**

This is general duty fire education, prevention and suppression work, and includes provision of emergency medical services.

Work involves the protection of life and property by the performance of fire prevention activities including fire inspection, fire investigation and public safety education; explicit firefighting tasks and salvage assignments; rescue and emergency medical education programs such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the Heimlich Maneuver. Work is usually performed under the immediate supervision of a fire officer.

## **ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK**

(Any single position of a class will not usually involve all of the duties listed and many positions will involve duties which are not listed.)

Responds to fire alarms and emergencies; lays and connects hose from hydrant to fire; holds nozzle and directs water flow; climbs ladder; uses specialized firefighting equipment and tools as circumstances warrant; prevents fire from spreading and minimizes water damage.

Administers first-aid and emergency medical care to victims and removes persons from endangered premises; extricates trapped victims.

Participates in fire prevention inspections.

Serves as an instructor in various fire prevention and medical public education programs presented by the Department.

Develops a working knowledge of and skill in the use of approved fire tactics, firefighting methods, emergency medical procedures; maintains a knowledge of applicable codes and ordinances relating to fire protection.

Participates in the development of reports and preparation of records.

Practices fire fighting skills at drill tower under direction; practices hose evolutions, ladder evolutions, pump operations, and salvage procedures; participates in self-study fire training programs.

Performs housekeeping assignments at fire station.

Performs other related work as required.

**WORK QUALIFICATIONS**

Graduation from high school or a GED or any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the following knowledges, skills, and abilities:

Ability to learn various and numerous fire suppression and fire prevention methods, procedures, and techniques including the operation of fire fighting equipment.

Ability to accurately recall the street system pattern and physical design of the City of Salem upon completion of appropriate study.

Ability to read and write effectively.

Ability to speak effectively before an audience.

Ability to perform effectively at considerable heights.

Ability to perform strenuous activity under hazardous and dangerous circumstances.

Possession of a current EMT I certification recognized by the State of Oregon.

Possession of a valid Oregon driver's license or Class 4 license and the ability to meet the City's driving standards.

Qualifications for Firefighter-Medic require possession of a valid EMT III or IV recognized by the State of Oregon.

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Personnel Director