

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER

City of Athens Fire Department

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: This position performs general firefighting work to protect life and property through firefighting activities when called upon for assistance by the Athens Fire Department.

NATURE OF WORK: Work consists of complex, varied, non-standardized tasks requiring application of numerous laws, rules, regulations, and procedures. Work is assigned and supervised by the on-duty Chief or Fire Officer.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: Essential functions are fundamental job duties. Personal characteristics required of all volunteers such as *honesty, integrity, and the ability to get along with others*, are presumed qualities and may not be listed specifically. The essential functions identified for this job are:

- Responds when called to fire alarms with a company, connects hose, holds nozzle and directs waters streams.
- Forces entry of premises for firefighting, rescue and salvage operations.
- Removes persons from danger, holds ladders, and administers first aid to injured persons.
- Performs salvage operations such as throwing salvage covers, sweeping water, and removing debris.
- Performs general clean up of fire equipment after responding to an alarm to include reloading hose, cleaning hose, and bringing extra equipment to alarm.

Critical Skills/Expertise

Knowledge of street system and physical layout of the City of Athens.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to learn a wide variety of firefighting duties and methods.

Ability to perform under hazardous conditions.

Equipment: This position uses tools and equipment such as chemical fire extinguishers, bars, hooks, lines, and other equipment associated with fire suppression and emergency response professions.

Physical and Cognitive Abilities: See Attached to Job Description.

Minimum Qualifications: A High School education or equivalent. Related work experience is not needed but preferred. Must possess and maintain a valid Tennessee driver's license and any certifications required for the position.

Job Requirements: Volunteer must have reliable transportation to answer alarms and communication device for purposes of immediate contact.

PHYSICAL/COGNITIVE ABILITIES SHEET

JOB POSITION: VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER		
STATEMENT	IMPORTANCE	FREQUENCY
Climbing Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Balancing Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Stooping Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Twisting Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Kneeling Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Crouching Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Crawling Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Reaching Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Standing Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Walking Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Running Ability	Somewhat Important	26-50% of the time
Pushing Ability (Heavy)	Very Important	1-25% of the time
Pushing Ability (Medium)	Very Important	26-50% of the time
Pulling Ability (Heavy)	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Pulling Ability (Medium)	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Lifting Ability (Heavy)	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Lifting Ability (Medium)	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Fingering Ability	Somewhat Important	26-50% of the time
Handling Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Feeling Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Verbal Communication Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Written Communication Ability	Very Important	1-25% of the time
Hearing Ability	Extremely Important	75-100% of the time
Repetitive Motion Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Far Vision Ability	Very Important	1-25% of the time
Near Vision Ability	Very Important	26-50% of the time
Mid-Range Vision Ability	Very Important	26-50% of the time
Depth Perception Ability	Very Important	26-50% of the time
Visual Focus Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Color Vision Ability	Very Important	26-50% of the time
Field of Vision Ability	Very Important	26-50% of the time
Sense of Smell	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Internal Work Environment	Very Important	26-50% of the time
External Work Environment	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Ability to work in temperatures below 32 deg.F	Extremely Important	1-25% of the time
Ability to work in temperatures above 100 deg. F	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Ability to work in conditions with continuous noise level	Very Important	1-25% of the time
Ability to work in conditions with loud noise level	Very Important	1-25% of the time
Ability to work under hazardous work conditions	Extremely Important	1-25% of the time
Ability to work under varying atmospheric conditions	Extremely Important	1-25% of the time
Ability to work under conditions subject to vibration	Somewhat Important	1-25% of the time
Ability to work while wearing special equipment	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Ability to work while wearing body armor	Not Important	1-25% of the time
Reasoning Ability	Extremely Important	26-50% of the time
Basic Mathematical Skills	Very Important	26-50% of the time