FIRE FIGHTER APPRENTICE

NATURE OF WORK IN THIS CLASS

This is fire suppression apprenticeship work limited to assisting Fire Fighters in combating, extinguishing, and preventing fires. Work involves limited duties of protecting life and property under the direction and close supervision of a Fire Service Specialist or above.

Employees in this class learn and participate in the operation of fire equipment and apparatus and perform hazardous tasks under emergency conditions which may require strenuous exertion under such handicaps as smoke, collapsed structures, intense heat, toxic environments, cramped surroundings, and other hazards attributed to the nature of the emergency situation. Employees in this class shall not be accountable for extinguishing actual fires. Employees will serve as apprentices whenever manpower shortages occur within the Fire Fighter I level and will be required to attend Fire Academy courses in Fire Operation I, Fire Suppression, and Introduction to Fire Protection. Work in this class is reviewed through on-the-scene observations, frequent inspections, examinations, discussions, and submission of reports.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK (These examples do not list all the duties which may be assigned; any one position may not include all the duties listed.)

Attends on-the-job training classes on fire suppression.

Participates in fire drills and receives on-the-job training in fire suppression positions such as those of hose man, nozzle man, and snubber.

Responds to all emergency/non-emergency alarms with assigned company; lays and connects hoses; holds nozzles; directs fog or water streams; raises and climbs ladders; uses chemical extinguishers, bars, hooks, lines, and other equipment.

Performs general maintenance work in the upkeep of fire department property; cleans walls and floors; makes minor repairs to property and equipment; washes and hangs hoses; cleans and secures test apparatus.

Performs related duties as required.
MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Ability to work effectively with the public and employees. Ability to react quickly and calmly in emergencies.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to communicate effectively; orally and in writing.

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING

Graduation from high school or possession of certification of high school equivalency (GED).

OTHER NECESSARY SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

A. Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the Territory of Guam. (This requirement does not apply to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia.)

B. Must be in good health and physical condition.

C. Possession of a valid driver’s license at the time of certification.

NOTE: Progression beyond the Fire Fighter Apprentice position shall require that the permanent status employee occupying this position satisfactorily complete all requirements of the Fire Academy. The Fire Fighter Apprentice shall then be automatically promoted to the Fire Fighter I position.
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ESTABLISHED: NOVEMBER 1995
AMENDED: JANUARY 1996
PAY GRADE: F

HAY EVALUATION:

KNOW HOW: CI1 87
PROBLEM SOLVING: B2 (19%) 16
ACCOUNTABILITY: B1A 22
TOTAL POINTS: 125

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