

Clallam 2 Fire Rescue

Port Angeles, Washington

Position Description



Class Title	Per-Diem Firefighter EMT-P
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General Statement of Duties

Provides emergency assistance and protective services to the public; performs all hazard protective service including but not limited to firefighting, emergency medical, hazardous materials, rescue and fire prevention duties as assigned; responsibilities include maintenance of fire stations, equipment, and apparatus; participates in drills and training activities. The work schedule is determined by the needs of the organization generally consists of 9, 12, or 24 hour shifts.

Distinguishing Features of the Class

This is general duty firefighting/EMS work in combating, extinguishing, preventing fires and providing emergency medical services. The employees in this class are responsible for the protection of life and property through firefighting activities usually performed under supervision. Work requires performance of hazardous tasks under emergency conditions which may involve extreme exertion under such handicaps as smoke, high temperature, and cramped surroundings and confined spaces. A large part of duty time is taken up in District-wide pre-fire planning, performing and developing training, mapping, and maintaining equipment and quarters. Work is normally performed under supervision in accordance with well-defined procedures, and assignments are received from District officers both in firefighting/EMS and maintenance duties.

Examples of Essential Work (Illustrative Only)

- Responds to emergency situations and performs fire suppression and/or emergency medical activities as needed; participates as a team member; performs work requiring strenuous physical activity, heavy lifting, and working from ladders while wearing self-contained breathing apparatus; works within the chain of command and follows orders, rules, policies, and standard operating procedures and detailed directions; makes rapid decisions as to appropriate action if needed.
- Operates diverse equipment such as hoses, self-contained breathing apparatus, a variety of hand tools and power equipment, saws, ladders, fire extinguishers, ventilation equipment, radios, rescue and extrication equipment, and specialized medical equipment.
- Performs foam operations; performs hose and ladder evolutions.
- Responds to a variety of hazardous material incidents and performs duties according to department guidelines.
- Climbs both ground ladders and aerial ladders during rescue or firefighting operations and training.
- Assists in preparation of pre-fire plans and development of information resources about industrial, commercial and multiple dwelling occupancies, and other target hazards; participates in building familiarization tours.

- Recognizes and preserves evidence pertaining to fire cause and point of origin; assists with fire cause determination under direction of a Fire District officer or fire investigator.
- Participates in fire and other emergency/rescue drills and training; keeps up-to-date on methods, policies, and procedures; takes periodic written and practical exams.
- Teaches basic fire prevention techniques at schools; conducts tours.
- Participates in providing specialized training to volunteer firefighters.
- Participates in the maintenance of apparatus, fire stations, and grounds.
- Operates computers and other electronic equipment as required.
- Drives and operates a variety of fire apparatus and vehicles; has a working knowledge of District streets and layout.
- Prepares and develops reports and records as required.
- Performs initial patient assessment and administers appropriate medical treatment, either basic or advanced, as determined by the employee's certification level.
- Performs lifting and moving patients.
- Directs or assists higher level EMT in-patient care, assessment, packaging, and transportation.
- Responds to emergency medical calls for service, renders advanced life support or basic life support as dictated by call type.
- Performs related work as required.

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Skill in:

- The use of firefighting, medical, and communication equipment;
- The use of hand tools and power tools;
- Reasoning and reacting quickly and calmly in emergency situations.

Ability to:

- Learn firefighting and medical techniques, skills, and methods within a reasonable trial work period;
- Understand and follow oral and written instructions;
- Climb ladders, handle hose, and lift heavy objects;
- Work in confined spaces and at considerable heights;
- Perform strenuous and prolonged work while wearing self-contained breathing apparatus;
- Spell, punctuate, and express thoughts in writing;
- Use office and computer equipment;
- Work and live harmoniously with other employees and teammates;
- Establish and maintain effective, courteous, and tactful working relationships with superiors, other employees, and the general public;
- Maintain a level of physical strength, agility, and endurance as prescribed by the department;
- Work irregular hours;
- Perform required work safely;
- Maintain departmental records and reports as required including entry into computerized data system.

Required Experience and Training

- High school diploma or equivalent, preferably supplemented by college-level course work in fire science or related field; and
- State of Washington Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic level certification; or a National Registry Paramedic; or receipt of such certification prior to hire; and
- Successful completion of Medical Program Director competency testing; and
- Certification as NFPA Firefighter I or higher; and
- Certification as NFPA 472 Hazardous Materials Operations Level Responder; and
- Certification as NFPA 1002 Driver/Operator – Pumper; and
- Certification Washington State Emergency Vehicle Accident Prevention (EVAP);
- Any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience that provides the knowledge, skills, and abilities required to perform the work may be considered.

Other Qualifications:

Applicants must:

- Be at least 18 years of age by the date of appointment;
- Possession of a valid Washington State Driver's License, have a safe driving record;
- Be in good physical health as determined by a medical examination.

Special Qualifications Desired

- ICS Coursework: I-100, I-200, I-300, IS 700 & IS 800;
- ICS I-400 is preferred but not required at the entry level.
- Wildland firefighter II certification (NWCG).

Essential Physical Abilities

- Sufficient clarity of speech and hearing or other communication capabilities, with or without reasonable accommodation, which enables the employee to communicate effectively;
- Sufficient vision or other powers of observation, with or without reasonable accommodation, which enables the employee to review a wide variety of materials in electronic or hard copy form;
- Sufficient manual dexterity, with or without reasonable accommodation, which enables the employee to operate a personal computer, mobile data terminal, telephone, and other related equipment;
- Sufficient personal mobility and physical reflexes, with or without reasonable accommodation, which enables the employee to successfully complete all tasks required of the position.

Pay and Benefits

- Per Diem positions are paid a flat rate per shift. Rates vary based on shift. No benefits are provided for this position.