FIREFIGHTER TRAINEE

NATURE OF WORK

Work involves training to be a Firefighter.

Work involves training for the responsibility of the protection of life and property through firefighting and First Responder Emergency Medical activities, usually performed under close supervision and in accordance with established operating procedures. Training requires the performance of hazardous tasks under simulated emergency conditions which may include strenuous exertion under such handicaps as smoke and cramped surroundings. Assignments are received from Lincoln Fire and Rescue trainers at an assigned training facility. Upon successful completion of prescribed training, employees of this class will be eligible for appointment as a Firefighter. Work is reviewed by Lincoln Fire and Rescue trainers and supervisors with final approval of completion of training coming from the Chief of the Lincoln Fire and Rescue Department.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Attends all assigned classes as directed including Emergency Medical Technician, Firefighter I and other related training.

Performs EMS, firefighting, search, rescue and other simulated emergency response activities.

Successfully completes written and skills tests.

Performs related work as required.

DESIRABLE KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Ability to quickly learn new skills under the supervision of the Lincoln Fire and Rescue designated trainers.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to learn and to apply a variety of firefighting principles and techniques, and to learn the operation of firefighting equipment and apparatus.

Ability to learn how to operate and maintain firefighting apparatus, equipment and tools.

Ability to think and act quickly, calmly, and appropriately in emergency situations.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from senior high school or equivalent supplemented by college course work from an accredited vocational or technical college with a degree in fire science or technology plus some experience performing firefighting, hazardous materials response, and emergency medical activities. Hazardous Materials Awareness, Operations, or Technician certification is desired.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Graduation from senior high school or equivalent; or any equivalent combination of training and experience which provides the desirable knowledge, abilities and skills. As per Lincoln Municipal Code section 2.76.220 (b), all applicants for this class must be at least nineteen years of age. Candidates must also meet such physical requirements as are established by the City.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Possession of a valid driver's license when operating a vehicle is necessary to the satisfactory performance of assigned duties.

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