FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDIC TRAINEE

NATURE OF WORK

Work involves training to be a Firefighter Paramedic.

Work involves training for the responsibility of the protection of life and property through firefighting and 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 operating at heights and 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 and participates in all fire academy assigned classes as directed including emergency medical training, firefighter training, and other related training.

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

Successfully completes written and skill 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, clean and maintain firefighting apparatus, facilities, equipment and tools.

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

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Graduation from high school or equivalent; or any equivalent combination of training and experience that 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 also must 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.

Possession of State of Nebraska certification as a Fire Fighter I, Firefighter II and Hazardous Materials Operations within 120 days of appointment.

Possession of a valid Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Paramedic license at the time of application and National Paramedic Certification (NRP) through the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) within 120 days of appointment and successful completion of the Lincoln EMS system certification for ALS within 1 year of appointment is necessary to the satisfactory performance of assigned duties.

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