

City of Stockton

FIRE FIGHTER TRAINEE

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Unit:	Fire
CS Status:	Classified
FLSA Status:	Non-Exempt

DEFINITION

This is a non-sworn training position. Incumbents attend a fire academy to train to respond to fires, medical emergencies and other emergency and non-emergency situations; performs related work as assigned.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS

This position is an apprentice-level, non-sworn position in the Fire Department. Incumbents are assigned to the Fire Academy and must satisfactorily pass all of the requirements of the Academy before becoming candidates for the sworn position of Fire Fighter. Possession of the California Emergency Medical Technician I Certification must be obtained within one year of employment. Assignment to this classification is temporary. If incumbents do not successfully complete a fire academy, they will be terminated.

PRINCIPAL DUTIES (Illustrative Only)

1. Attend and successfully complete a fire academy to prepare for the position of Fire Fighter.

Knowledge of:

- English usage, spelling, grammar, and punctuation;
- Basic principles and practices of emergency medical care at the basic life support level;
- Safety practices and precautions pertaining to the work.

Skill in:

- Following oral and written directions;
- Establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with those encountered in the course of the work;
- Maintaining accurate records and preparing clear and concise reports and other written materials;
- Remaining calm, making sound decisions, and responding appropriately in emergency situations.

Ability to:

- Learn the principles, practices, procedures, laws and ordinances, terminology, and operation of equipment used in firefighting.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education/Experience:

Possession of a high school diploma or GED. Some college-level fire science course work and previous fire fighting experience in a volunteer or paid capacity is desirable.

Other Requirements:

- Must possess and maintain a valid California Class C driver's license.
- Must obtain a California Class B Restricted driver's license within one (1) year of appointment.
- Must possess or be able to acquire and maintain, within one year of employment, current certification as an Emergency Medical Technician/Level I issued in San Joaquin County.
- Must be willing to work shifts as structured in the Fire Department.

Special Requirements:

Essential duties require the following physical skills and work environment:

- Ability to work in hazardous situations; must maintain adequate physical strength, agility and stamina to carry out rescue duties in inclement weather, from heights, tunnels, water or other potentially risky conditions.
- Must possess strength and stamina sufficient to lift and carry equipment and patients weighing up to 165 pounds and be able to wear self-contained breathing apparatus.
- Must administer life support or life saving treatment to emergency patients or victims of fire.