## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

JOB TITLE:	A-EMT / FIREFIGHTER
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SUPERVISED BY: SHIFT OFFICER/LIEUTENANT

POSITIONS SUPERVISED: NONE

- JOB LOCATION:AS ASSIGNED WITHIN THE DISTRICT OF<br/>PAHRUMP VALLEY FIRE RESCUE SERVICE
- WORK HOURS: VARIED 24 HOUR SHIFTS, TO INCLUDE NIGHTS, WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS
- FLSA STATUS: NON-EXEMPT
- PROBATION PERIOD: ONE (1) YEAR

Date of Last Revision: 06/15/2016

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## **DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:**

Performs the duties and fulfills the responsibilities of a State of Nevada Certified Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate, in accordance with the provisions of Nevada Administrative Code Chapter 450B and standing orders and written protocols as set forth by the Medical Director for the Pahrump Valley Fire and Rescue Service. Must continually maintain all levels of certification as required by the State, Fire Chief, and Medical Director.

This position represents entry level in line fire suppression and fire prevention. This position performs emergency medical skills and procedures and the use of medical equipment. This position responds to emergency incidents and performs a variety of tasks, to include, but not limited to: extricating and rescuing individuals from entrapment situations, treating the sick and injured, operation and maintenance of fire rescue equipment, apparatus, and quarters.

#### **ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:**

- 1. Responds to emergency rescue calls; drives fire rescue apparatus; uses emergency care equipment and procedures to aid victims; and administers emergency medical care treatment to the sick and injured.
- 2. Provides ambulance services to the public, including transporting sick and injured persons to and from medical care facilities.
- 3. Provision of basic life support/CPR, including procedures that are essential to a patient's life and future well being.
- 4. Assessment of patients and interviewing of bystanders.
- 5. Stabilization of fractured bones; stabilization of spine; treatment for shock; bleeding control; ability to monitor and recognize life threatening heart rhythms; takes blood pressures; administers oxygen; and other medical treatment as necessary.
- 6. Responds to fire alarms, operates pumps, auxiliary equipment, fire hose, ladders, extinguishers, tools, power equipment, lines and other related equipment.
- 7. Demonstrated ability to work in confined spaces and wear a Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).
- 8. Attends medical training sessions as required by the State, the Fire Chief, and the Medical Director. Maintains required skill levels in medical care procedures and fire suppression tactics, methods, and procedures.
- 9. Performs Fire/EMS public education activities.
- 10. Performs general maintenance work in the upkeep of Fire Rescue apparatus, tools, and equipment. Assists in the maintenance of stations, quarters, and grounds.
- 11. Performs other duties as may be assigned.

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# **ABILITIES:**

- Position requires continuous and repetitive motion; strenuous physical effort; ability to lift and carry heavy objects, equipment and persons.
- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- Read and comprehend Department rules and regulations.
- Act efficiently under pressure and stressful situations.
- Take and respond to orders and accept authority.
- Work as part of a team and adapt to dormitory like situations showing tolerance, tact, and respect for others, including paid and volunteer staff.
- Deal effectively with superiors, co-workers, and the public.
- Deal calmly and professionally with people in crisis situations.
- Adapt to disrupted sleeping and eating routines.
- Demonstrate physical strength to endure long or short periods of strenuous activities in emergency response situations while wearing, or not wearing, required protective clothing and gear.
- Perform CPR for extended periods of time to resuscitate victims.
- Work on roofs, climb and work from ladders, and walk on and work from attic beams, rafters, or floor joists.
- Basic computer and office operation.
- Operate and utilize medical apparatus and equipment.
- Operate and utilize fire apparatus and equipment.

# **WORKING CONDITIONS:**

Unavoidable exposure to hazards, including, but not limited to, toxic agents, smoke, bodily fluids, dust, fumes, heat, cold, noise, odors. Ability to work in confined spaces. Must be able to work varied shifts, hours and locations, including weekends and holidays.

## SKILLS AND EXPERTISE:

**Required:** Graduation from high school or G.E.D. equivalent.

**Required Licenses and Certifications:** 1) Valid Class B Nevada Motor Vehicle Operator's License with "F" Endorsement; 2) Possession of valid EMT-I (Intermediate) certificate licensed by the National Registry at time of appointment; 3) Possession of valid Firefighter I certificate licensed by the State of Nevada at time of appointment; 4) BLS-C Certification; 5) Nevada State Certification as an EMS Instructor preferred; 6) American Heart Association Certification as a BLS Instructor preferred; 7) Valid State of Nevada Ambulance Attendant License; 8) Preferable three years experience as an EMT-I and **preferably** as Firefighter I; 9) Any other licenses/certifications required by the State of Nevada, Fire Chief, or Medical Director based upon the current or future operations of the Department. **Must maintain valid licenses and/or certificates throughout incumbency.** 

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#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

- 1) Prospective candidates for employment may be required to pass a physical examination and a drug test.
- 2) Prospective candidates for employment may be required to pass an extensive background investigation.
- 3) An applicant for this position shall provide a copy of their motor vehicle driving record at the time of application.
- 4) An applicant for this position shall provide a copy of their criminal history at the time of application.
- 5) An applicant for this position shall provide proof of completion of the Hepatitis vaccinations at the time of application.

## **STATEMENT:**

I have read and understand the position requirements as based upon this job description and can perform all the essential requirements, with or without accommodation.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_