

FIRE CAPTAIN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is a supervisory emergency services position involving responsibility for directing the activities of the Department of Fire, Buildings and Emergency Services on an assigned shift. The work is performed in accordance with established policies and requires the exercise of good judgment in emergencies. A Captain assigned as Municipal Training Officer has responsibility for training department personnel. A Municipal Training Officer is responsible for coordinating and directing the overall training activities; has a high degree of responsibility for the education of public, industrial groups, education groups and others requesting help in the area of fire prevention and safety. Additionally, in the absence of the Fire Chief, Fire Captain's may assume the responsibilities during an assigned shift.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

- Supervises overall firefighting activities at scenes of fire;
- Checks to insure that personnel are properly assigned to effect proper suppression techniques including but not limited to the firefight, overhaul, salvage, safety, investigation to cause, and equipment maintenance and readiness after a fire;
- Supervises overall rescue operations, hazardous materials operations, code enforcement activities and other services provided by the department;
- Supervises overall Emergency Medical Services provided by the department to insure proper medical services are provided in a manner in accordance to all NYS Health Department regulations;
- Directs maintenance and custodial activities of all department controlled buildings;
- Inspects equipment, grounds, and department buildings to insure proper order and condition;
- Inspects buildings for fire hazards and code violations;
- Maintains discipline;
- Makes reports of personnel and activities and evaluates effectiveness;
- Directs the maintenance and repair of all vehicles, fire equipment, rescue equipment, hazardous materials abatement equipment, and emergency medical equipment;
- Trains and drills subordinates;
- Functions within the Incident Command System on all emergencies;
- May be assigned as Municipal Training Officer

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Thorough knowledge of modern firefighting and fire prevention methods, of the municipality's fire prevention laws and ordinances, of the geography of the area, of rescue and hazardous conditions, of emergency medical care methods, of the municipality's building codes, the rules and regulations of the department including labor, management agreements and the use and maintenance of all equipment for emergency services; ability to recognize fire hazards, maintain discipline, plan and supervise the work of subordinates; lay out and assign work for subordinates; resourcefulness and good judgment in all emergencies; ability to communicate with all persons in need of services; good physical condition.

ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Six months of satisfactory permanent competitive class service as a Fire Lieutenant and completion of all mandatory training programs.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Possession and maintenance of a valid Advanced Emergency Medical Technician - Critical Care or Advanced Emergency Medical Technician -Paramedic certificate issued by the NYS Department of Health by date of appointment.

CATTARAUGUS COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE

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