



PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

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EMT-PARAMEDIC/FIREFIGHTER

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

GENERAL DEFINITION AND CONDITIONS OF WORK:

Performs difficult protective service work providing emergency medical care and transportation of sick and injured under emergency conditions, frequently involving personal hazard; does related work as required. Work is performed under regular supervision.

This is heavy work requiring the exertion of 100 pounds of force occasionally, up to 50 pounds of force frequently, and up to 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects; work requires climbing, balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, crawling, reaching, standing, walking, pushing, pulling, lifting, fingering, grasping, feeling, and repetitive motions; vocal communication is required for expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word, and conveying detailed or important instructions to others accurately, loudly, or quickly; hearing is required to perceive information at normal spoken word levels, and to receive detailed information through oral communications and/or to make fine distinctions in sound; visual acuity is required for depth perception, color perception, night vision, peripheral vision, preparing and analyzing written or computer data, visual inspection involving small defects and/or small parts, operation of machines, operation of motor vehicles or equipment, determining the accuracy and thoroughness of work, and observing general surroundings and activities; the worker is subject to inside and outside environmental conditions, extreme cold, extreme heat, noise, vibration, hazards, atmospheric conditions, oils, and wearing a self-contained breathing apparatus. The worker may be exposed to bloodborne pathogens and may be required to wear specialized personal protective equipment.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS/TYPICAL TASKS:

Responding to emergency calls; providing basic and advanced life support emergency medical services; assisting in the suppression of fires; preparing and maintaining detailed records.

(The following tasks are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed. The omission of specific duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical assignment to the position.)

Responds to emergency calls, drives equipment and administers emergency medical care, transports victims to emergency care facilities;

Keeps records and observes patient responses;

Identifies diagnostic signs which may require communications with medical facility for advice and direction;

Provides direct patient care as ordered;

Administers prescribed drugs, intravenous solutions and performs defibrillations as required;

Checks and prepares equipment and supplies for treatment; cleans, disinfects and maintains medical equipment;

Educates public in matters of health care and emergency situations; instructs public in CPR;

Performs housekeeping duties to crew building;

Responds to alarms, drives equipment and assists in the suppression of fires, including rescue, entry, ventilating and salvage work;

Participates in continuing training and instruction program by individual study of technical material and attendance at scheduled drills and classes;

Serves as Lieutenant when necessary;

Participates in emergency response operations as required in a declared emergency by County officials; completes required NIMS training as a condition of employment;

Performs related tasks as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Thorough knowledge of the reading of electrocardiograms; general knowledge of the principles and techniques of emergency care, including diagnosis, proper treatment and automobile extraction and transportation; thorough knowledge of the principles of anatomy, physiology and chemistry in relation to the respiratory and circulatory systems; thorough knowledge of elementary physics, chemistry and mechanics as applied to fire suppression; thorough knowledge of the street system and geography of the County; ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions; ability to establish and maintain cooperative relationships with associates and the general public; ability to keep simple records and prepare reports; possession of mechanical aptitude; physical endurance and agility.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from high school supplemented by required firefighting and emergency medical training and considerable experience in emergency services as a cleared ALS provider.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of an appropriate driver's license valid in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Must possess and maintain certification as State Certified Firefighter, Paramedic, CPR Instructor and EVOC. Must meet and maintain all departmental requirements for the position.