



FIRE CAPTAIN

DEFINITION

Under general direction, commands an engine company in the protection of public safety, health and welfare by responding to fire and emergency medical calls for service; participates in fire prevention programs; maintains equipment and facilities.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Exercises functional supervision over Firefighter/Paramedics and Fire Engineers.

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES

Duties may include but are not limited to:

Command subordinate personnel in response to fire calls for service, lay hose lines, direct water stream, set up ladders.

Direct and participate in rescue, clean up and salvage work; ventilate buildings.

Direct and participate in pumping engine operation.

Direct and participate in response to emergency medical calls for service, follow State and local protocols in treatment of sick and injured persons administering First Aid, CPR and other emergency medical procedures.

Maintain inventory of emergency medical supplies and equipment.

Maintain fire facilities, equipment and apparatus.

Record and prepare reports of daily activities of company promptly reporting accidents and injuries to superiors.

Enforce policies, procedures, rule and regulations.

May be called in on 2nd alarm fires when off duty.

Assist and cooperate with other public safety agencies.

Perform related duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Knowledge of:

Federal, State, and local laws and radio communications procedures.

City's geography, water systems, location of hydrants and those of the surrounding area.

Public safety agencies as related to fire and emergency medical services functions.

Basic hydraulics.

Fire prevention and inspection methods, fire hazards and educational fire prevention techniques and programs.

Principles of emergency scene management.

Ability and Skill to:

Read and understand technical material, rules and regulations related to firefighting, rescue techniques and emergency medical incidents.

Analyze emergency situations and address with an effective course of action.

Train, supervise, evaluate and discipline subordinate personnel.

Tactfully interact with members of the public.

Safely operate and use fire vehicles and equipment.

Communicate clearly both orally and in writing.

QUALIFICATIONS

Any combination of education and experience that would provide the required knowledge, abilities and skills is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the qualifications would be:

AA/AS and five (5) years firefighting experience including three (3) years as a Fire Engineer. Completion of the following programs: BFPD Company Officer Development initiative, Driver/Operator 1A and 1B, ICS 100 and 200, Command 1A, Instructor 1A, Fire Prevention 1A and Management 1. Possession of Fire Hydraulics certificate or equivalent.

LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE

Valid Class A, B or Firefighter's Class B California Driver's License with firefighter endorsement and good driving record. Possession of a current EMT-1 in San Bernardino County and a current CPR certification.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS/A.D.A.

Essential job functions and A.D.A. requirements include:

Ability to operate computer, calculator, telephone, portable radio, copying machine and equipment used in fire suppression and emergency medical services.

Ability to understand and respond to the public's and staff's requests for assistance both on the phone and in person.

Ability to prepare reports, perform mathematical calculations and sort/file documents.

Ability to sit, stand, walk for two hours at a time and engage in fire suppression activities.

Ability to work outdoors in all weather conditions including hot with extreme sun exposure, cold and wet.

Ability to lift, drag or pull up to 150 pounds.

Ability to climb, stoop, bend, reach, twist, squat, grasp, run, jump, kneel and lift, drag and pull heavy objects.

Ability to get from one location to another in the course of doing business.