



Job Description

Firefighter/Engineer
Truro Fire Service
Town of Truro
May, 2019

POSITION SUMMARY:

The Fire Fighter/Engineer is responsible for operating fire apparatus, firefighting, rescue and other related services within the scope of the position. The Fire Fighter/Engineer is responsible for rapidly, efficiently and safely performing various duties under emergency conditions frequently involving considerable hazard. The work includes routine duties in the maintenance of firefighting vehicles, equipment and fire department facilities. The Fire Fighter/Engineer shall participate in programs for the prevention of fires, saving of life and property and public safety education. The Fire Fighter/Engineer may be responsible for emergency operations until command is assumed by an officer.

This position is a unionized position and governed by the Collective Agreement between the Town and IAFF Local 1627.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS:

Reports To: Truro Fire Chief

KEY WORKING RELATIONSHIPS:

- Internal:**
- All fire personnel (career and volunteer)
 - Local 1627, IAFF
 - Other Town Departments
- External:**
- Emergency Health Services (EHS)
 - Nova Scotia Fire Fighters School
 - Public Schools
 - Public

RESPONSIBILITIES/ACCOUNTABILITIES:

- Respond to emergency calls, lays and connect hose to hydrant, operates apparatus and /or holds nozzles and directs water streams, raises and climbs ladders, uses extinguishers and other equipment. performs necessary firefighting and rescue activities, under the supervision of the Fire Chief, or designate;
- Perform necessary firefighting and rescue activities, under the supervision of the Fire Chief, or designate;
- Respond to non-emergency calls , as required;
- Drive and operate department apparatus and equipment;
- Maintain all Fire Service apparatus, equipment and facilities, in conjunction with daily duties, contract agreement, and within the scope of personal qualification abilities;
- Conduct fire prevention inspections and participate in drills and inspections;
- Complete reports and maintain vital incident information for investigative and record keeping purposes;
- Participate in the development and delivery of public education and fire prevention programs to internal staff and the public;
- Conduct pre-inspections and post inspections, as direction by the fire inspector and/or designate upon completion of in-house training;
- Participate in on-going training;
- Responsible for workplace safety as outlined in the NS Occupational Health and Safety Act and organizational policies, procedures and guidelines;
- Work as a member of a team with minimal supervision;
- Follow direction and operate within a chain of command;
- Other duties as may be required, within the scope of the position.

ACTIVITIES, DUTIES AND TASKS:

- Adhere to the regulations of the Fire Safety Act and Regulations;
- Adhere to the National Fire Protection Association Publications;
- Insure that all identified risks to life and property in public buildings are remediate in accordance with recognized standards;

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- Completion of High School or equivalent;
- NFPA 1001 Level 1 certified Fire Fighter or equivalent;
- Current Standard First Aid and CPR-C certifications;
- Class 3 Nova Scotia Driver's License with Air Brake Endorsement;
- Physically able to perform the demanding tasks of this position. Physical agility and fitness must be met and maintained. Completion of a medical examination to report physical fitness.

Technical Knowledge:

- Knowledge of firefighting tactics and strategy;
- Knowledge of emergency incident management;
- Knowledge of firefighting occupational health and safety;
- Knowledge of relevant legislation and codes; (e.g. Municipal Government Act, Fire Safety Act & Regulation, National Fire Code of Canada, Nova Scotia Building Code, NFPA Codes and Standards, etc.)

WORKING CONDITIONS AND PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT:

- Work environment requires the ability to react quickly and remain calm under stressful situations;
- Be exposed to hazardous conditions and extremes of temperature for extended periods of time;
- Physically demanding; requirements include running, walking, crouching, climbing, crawling, standing, and sitting for extended periods of time;
- Work in inclement weather conditions;
- Work on a rotating shift schedule including call back while off duty.
- Work in an office and classroom environments.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Legally entitled to work in Canada as a Fire Fighter;
- Clear driving abstract prior to employment start date;
- Provide a Criminal Record Check.