

**Job Description - Firefighter**  
**City of Struthers Fire Department, Struthers, OH**  
**January 1, 2018**

GENERAL PURPOSE

Protects life and property by performing firefighting, emergency medical service, and hazardous materials responses and duties.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the general supervision of the Chief and Engineers.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

N/A

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

*Performs firefighting activities*, operating equipment, laying hose, and performing firefighting, containment and extinguishment tasks.

Performs emergency medical services (EMS) up to his/her level of training including, but not limited to, first response to emergency medical calls, performing lifesaving interventions, administering medication, and providing other assistance as required.

Participates in fire drills, attends classes in firefighting, emergency medical services, hazardous materials, and related subjects.

Operates radio and other communication equipment.

Assists in developing plans for special assignments such as emergency preparedness, hazardous communications, training programs, firefighting, hazardous materials, and emergency aid activities.

Performs salvage operations such as throwing salvage covers, sweeping water, and removing debris.

## PERIPHERAL DUTIES

N/A

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education and Experience:

(A) High school diploma or GED equivalent

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Must be between 18 and 36 years or older at time of appointment; Must possess, or be able to obtain by time of appointment, a valid State driver's license and must provide proof of insurance with a safe driving record; No felony convictions or disqualifying criminal histories within the past seven years; U. S. citizen; Must be able to read and write the English language; Must be of good moral character and of temperate and industrious habits.

Must pass a physical exam by a licensed physician paid for by the City of Struthers.

Must obtain certification by the State of Ohio within a year of original appointment as a Firefighter I.

Must be a resident of the City of Struthers, or live within 1 mile of the city limits.

## TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED

Emergency medical aid unit, fire apparatus, fire pumps, hoses, and other standard firefighting equipment, ladders, ropes, rescue/extrication equipment, first aid equipment, radio, pager, computers, phone.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to stand; walk; use hands to finger, handle, or operate objects, tools, or controls; and

reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl, talk or hear; and taste or smell.

The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 10 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 170 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

## WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly works in outside weather conditions. The employee occasionally works near moving mechanical parts and in high, precarious places and is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals, risk of electrical shock, and vibration. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

## COMPENSATION

### **Fire Calls:**

Volunteers are compensated for their time spent at fires at the rate of \$11.22 per hour.

### **Training:**

A \$25.00 bonus is awarded each month (when training is conducted) if all training sessions are attended.

A \$15.00 bonus is awarded each month (when training is conducted) if only one training session is attended.

### **Still Calls:**

Volunteers are compensated for non-emergency work at the rate of \$9.69 per hour