

FIRE CAPTAIN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is supervisory firemanic work involving responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of the quarters, operations, equipment and appliances of the Fire Department. Direct supervision is exercised over the activities of the firefighters. The work is performed in accordance with established policies and requires the exercise of good judgment in emergencies. The work is performed under the direct supervision of the Fire Chief. On assignment, the incumbent acts in place of the Fire Chief. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Directs custodial and maintenance activities of all firefighters on the shift;
 Oversees one of the four major program areas of the Fire Department (fire prevention, or communications, or operations or training);
 Performs the duties of a firefighter;
 Supervises the cleaning, checking, and replacement of tools, equipment and hose;
 Inspects equipment, apparatus and stations to insure proper upkeep and maintenance;
 Makes daily and other reports of personnel and activities;
 Instructs firefighters on shift from lessons prepared by the training officer;
 Acts as "Safety Officer" at incidents.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Thorough knowledge of modern firefighting and fire prevention methods; good knowledge of the municipality's fire prevention laws and ordinances, of the geography of the area, of first aid methods, of the municipality's building code, the rules and regulations of the department and of the use and maintenance of firefighting equipment; ability to recognize fire hazards, maintain discipline, plan and supervise the work of subordinates, lay out work for subordinates; resourcefulness and good judgment in emergencies; good physical condition.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Promotion only:

Either:

1. Graduation from a regionally accredited New York State two-year college or university with an Associate's Degree in Fire Science Technology and two years of permanent competitive status as a Firefighter or;
2. Three years of satisfactory permanent competitive class service as a Firefighter.

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CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION: COMPETITIVE