

# DIAMOND SPRINGS - EL DORADO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT POSITION DESCRIPTION

## Firefighter/Paramedic

### RESPONSIBILITIES

The Firefighter/Paramedic reports to the Captain. He/she has authority and responsibility for emergency medical care provided to the sick and injured. Under direction, he/she is responsible for firefighting and rescue activities. The Firefighter/Paramedic shall maintain the ambulance and assigned fire apparatus and equipment in a constant state of readiness. He/she shall drive and operate apparatus safely and with due regard for the welfare of the public and department. The Firefighter/Paramedic performs related duties as assigned.

### EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

- Performs daily apparatus inspections ensuring operational readiness at all times.
- Responds to fire and emergency incidents, operates apparatus and performs fire suppression and rescue tasks as directed.
- Provides emergency medical care and transportation for the sick and injured.
- Prepares incident reports and other reports as required.
- Plans and provides continuing medical training for volunteer and career personnel.
- Participates in company business inspections.
- Maintains district stations and grounds in a neat and clean condition.
- Assumes responsibility for assigned collateral duties.
- When qualified, serves as a company officer in the absence of the Captain, or as assigned.

### DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Fire suppression, rescue and emergency medical care principles, practices, techniques, and procedures.
- The Incident Command System as adopted by FIRESCOPE.
- Laws related to fire protection, fire prevention, and the delivery of emergency medical service.
- Characteristics of a wide variety of flammable and hazardous materials.

- The principles of hydraulics and mechanics of fire apparatus.
- California Class B or Firefighter Class B Driver License with Tank, and Air Brake endorsements.

**Ability To:**

- Give clear and concise verbal instructions.
- Understand and follow verbal instructions and orders.
- Drive and operate district vehicles and equipment.
- Express ideas clearly and concisely both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain an effective working relationship with employees, representatives of other agencies, and the public.
- Troubleshoot mechanical problems, and make minor repairs.
- Think clearly and act decisively under stress.

**Education and Certifications:**

- California State Fire Marshal Firefighter 1.
- American Heart Association CPR Instructor.
- California State Emergency Medical Technician 1 Instructor.

**Experience:**

- One year full time experience as a career firefighter.
- One year recent experience as an Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

for application to this classification

**Education and Certifications:**

- Graduation from High School or equivalent.
- California State Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic.
- Hazardous Materials First Responder Operational.

**Experience:**

- One year recent experience as a career firefighter, or two years recent experience as a volunteer firefighter, or equivalent.

## **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

Employees hired into this classification after July 1, 1995 shall:

- Maintain Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic license for the duration of employment.
- Obtain accreditation to work as a Paramedic in El Dorado County within three months of employment, and maintain such accreditation for the duration of employment.
- Maintain CPR Healthcare Provider Level certification or equivalent for the duration of employment.
- Obtain and maintain a valid California Commercial Class B or Firefighter Class B Driver License with Tank and Air Brake endorsements for the duration of employment.
- Satisfactorily complete all individual performance standards and Standard Company Evolution's required of suppression personnel for the duration of employment.