

DESCRIPTION: Under limited supervision leads a crew of assigned Fire Fighters and Airport Fire Fighters combating and extinguishing aircraft and structural fires. Performs the function of on-scene commander in the absence of the Airport Fire Station Captain. Work requires the performance of hazardous tasks under emergency conditions which may include strenuous exertion under such handicaps as smoke and cramped surroundings. A significant percentage of the working time is spent in providing training activities, inspection and maintenance of equipment, cleaning and maintaining station, and servicing and maintaining fire extinguishers and installed systems. Performs related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS: This is the third in a series of four classes. Persons in this class perform all the duties of the Airport Fire Fighter class and lead an assigned crew of Airport Fire Fighter Trainees and/or Airport Fire Fighters. Lead duties include:

- Explain work processes and train subordinates
- Assign work
- Participate in evaluation of work performance of subordinates

Incumbents also serve as backup to the Airport Fire Station Captain.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (A position may not be assigned all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the duties that may be assigned.)

Directs the response of a crew to a variety of emergency situations: directing agent streams; raising and climbing ladders; and using chemical extinguishers, bars, hooks, lines, and other equipment in performing firefighting and rescue duties.

Leads a crew in rescue and extraction operations including searching burning aircraft and structures for trapped and/or unconscious victims, and operating the "jaws-of-life".

Directs the response of a crew to a variety of aircraft related emergencies including, crash of military and civil aircraft, stand-by for inflight emergencies, fuel spills, special maintenance, weapons loading, and aircraft welding.

Supervises the response of crews to a variety of medical emergencies, including personal injury accidents, accidents with machinery, and motor vehicle accidents; administers cardiopulmonary resuscitation, automated external defibrillation, and uses other medical equipment and procedures in providing emergency medical services in accordance with national standards and local protocols.

Supervises the response to a variety of Hazardous Materials Emergencies, including fuel spills, and other releases of Hazardous Materials in accordance with Air Force and NFPA standards.

Participates in the Base Confined Space Program, and will supervise the response to a variety of confined space emergencies, to emergency situations involving trapped and or injured personnel. Will also supervise the response to non-emergency calls to oversee confined space entry procedures in accordance with OSHA and AFOSH standards.

Will be trained in and will supervise the response to terrorist incidents involving weapons of mass destruction.

Supervises salvage operations including placing salvage covers, removing water and debris, assists in protecting evidence for investigation purposes.

Inspects base facilities to gain compliance with fire prevention regulations and NFPA codes, and to become familiar with the building contents, and the surrounding area.

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Participates in and conducts group and individual training and drill sessions relating to firefighting, emergency medical services, rescue, and related topic areas.

Supervises general maintenance work in the upkeep of fire station including cleaning, washing, painting walls and floors; washing and reloading fire equipment; cleaning and maintaining fire apparatus.

Participates and supervises the Fire Department Public Education program by promoting fire safety to the general public through tours of the station, safety briefings, extinguisher classes and informational flyers.

Performs administrative functions associated with his/her assigned shift to include; work assignments and scheduling, time cards, training records, performance reports, station log, incident reports, and supply records.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED: (These are needed to perform the work assigned.)

Knowledge of: the street system; principal buildings, business districts, and physical layout of the Nebraska Army National Guard Base; aircraft arresting systems; aircraft cockpits, canopy controls, engine controls, and emergency access methods; equipment such as "jaws-of-life", K-12 rescue saw, portable generator; supervisory procedures; the Air Force publication system; the National Fire Codes; OSHA and AFOSH standards, Air Force Fire Protection regulations and manuals; group and squadron operating instructions and policies; assigned fire apparatus, mounted equipment, aircraft armament and egress systems; aircraft arresting systems; installed fire protection systems, and extinguishers; federal, state, and agency personnel policies and programs.

Ability to: identify symptoms and provide emergency medical care to victims of vehicular, fire, and other injury causing accidents; to operate and maintain fire fighting apparatus, equipment and tools; use judgement and initiative in supervision of a fire fighter crew; present information to large groups and individuals; train other employees; issue instructions and orders clearly and rapidly in an emergency; work in uncomfortable positions surroundings for long periods of time; promote safety and harmony in the work place.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: (Applicants will be screened for possession of these qualifications. Applicants who need assistance in the selection process should request this in advance.)

Three years firefighting experience plus possession of State of Nebraska Emergency Medical Technician Basic license, as well as the following IFSAC or Pro-Board certificates: Airport Firefighter, Fire Officer I, Fire Instructor I, Fire Inspector I, Hazardous Materials Operations and Hazardous Materials Incident Commander.

SPECIAL NOTES:

Possession of a valid Nebraska driver's license is required. Loss of driver's license will be grounds for termination.

Loss of State of Nebraska EMT license will be grounds for termination.

Employees in this class are subject to uncommon tours of duty, rotating shift assignments and overtime duty. May be on call during normal off-duty hours.