

## Basic Firefighter - Part Time

### POSITION

Reporting to the Bartow County Fire Chief, the Basic Firefighter will control and extinguish fires, protect life and property, and maintain equipment by performing the following duties.

**SALARY:** \$10.96/Hourly

**Posting:** February 27, 2017 through March 27, 2017

**Submit resume to Bartow County Human Resources, Marla D. Coggins, 135 West Cherokee Avenue, St. 256 Cartersville, Georgia 30120 or email to [cogginsm@bartowga.org](mailto:cogginsm@bartowga.org).**

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES** include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

Responds to fire alarms and other emergency calls as quickly as safety allows. Selects hose nozzle, depending on type of fire, and directs stream of water onto fire.

Positions and climbs ladders to gain access to upper levels of buildings or to assist individuals from burning structures.

Uses proper techniques for all emergency operations, such as rescue, vehicle extrication, fire attack, etc.

Adheres to department standard operating procedures, policies, bylaws, and constitution.

Follows directions of senior firefighters or officers.

Creates openings in buildings for ventilation or entrance.

Administers first aid and artificial respiration to injured persons and those overcome by fire and smoke.

Communicates with superior during fire by radio.

Maintains apparatus, quarters, buildings, equipment, grounds, and hydrants.

Participates in drills, meetings, demonstrations, and courses in hydraulics, pump operation and maintenance, and firefighting techniques.

Crawls on the ground to search for fire victims and then pulls or carries the victim to an area of safety.

Raises or climbs ladders (up to 35 feet) and climbs aerial ladders (up to 85 feet). Performs work while stationed on the ladder.

Hoists heavy tools and equipment with rope as well as manually carries tools and equipment; swings an axe, hammer, or sledge hammer while wearing protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus.

Participates in pulling fire hose, digging dirt with shovels, carrying equipment with protective clothing often in temperatures exceeding 90 degrees Fahrenheit and in very high humidity.

Regular attendance is required.

**SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES**

This position involves no supervisory responsibilities. Work is performed under general supervision by the Fire Chief and Supervisors.

**QUALIFICATIONS** To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

**EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE**

High school diploma or general education degree (GED).

**LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions, and procedure manuals. Ability to write routine reports and correspondence. Ability to speak effectively before the general public or employees.

**MATHEMATICAL SKILLS**

Ability to add and subtract two digit numbers and to multiply and divide with 10's and 100's. Ability to perform these operations using units of weight measurement, volume, and distance.

**REASONING ABILITY**

Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of concrete variables in situations where only limited standardization exists. Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

**CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS**

Possession of a valid State of Georgia Driver's license is required. Certification as NPQ Firefighter I or equivalent.

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

Must be able to react to change productively and to handle other tasks as assigned; must be at least eighteen years of age; must be proficient in: driving all department vehicles, using all emergency equipment, operating all pumps and portable equipment; must be familiar with the response district; must not have been convicted of a felony in the past 10 years (exception: House Bill 654).

**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 regularly required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel and reach with hands and arms. The employee frequently is required to stand; walk; sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; talk or hear; and taste or smell. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 25 pounds and frequently lift and/or move more than 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and 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 is frequently exposed to moving mechanical parts; high, precarious places; fumes or airborne particles; outside weather conditions; and extreme heat. The employee is

occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, toxic or caustic chemicals, risk of electrical shock, and vibration. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate to loud.

**OTHER SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

Must be able to train to the level of first responder as classes become available; must be able to perform duties which requires power grip, speed work, precision, piecework, and repetitive movements; must wear protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (to protect the respiratory tract), which weighs 50 - 60 pounds, and operating in hot, humid, vision-obscured environments.