

# *City of Tuscumbia*

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## **Position of Job Description**

POSITION TITLE: Firefighter

APPROVED BY: Fire Chief

REPORTS TO: Lieutenant/Driver

DATE APPROVED:

DEPARTMENT: Fire

ANNUAL SALARY: Level 1-3

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### **POSITION PURPOSE**

Under the direction of the Fire Lieutenant or Fire Driver, responds to fire alarms and other emergency calls to assigned stations. Controls and extinguishes fires, protects life and property, and assists in maintaining firefighting equipment.

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### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS AND BASIC DUTIES**

1. Controls and extinguishes fires. Selects proper hose nozzle according to type fire, connects hoses to fire equipment or fire hydrant and directs stream of water or chemicals onto fire.
  2. Positions and climbs ladder and create openings to gain access to structures and / or to evacuate persons from burning structures.
  3. Administers first aid and artificial respiration and / or contacts proper person for assistance.
  4. Protects property from water and smoke damage by use of water-proof covers or other materials.
  5. Performs assigned duties for the maintenance of equipment, cleanliness of quarters, buildings and grounds.
  6. Participates in drills, demonstrations, and courses in firefighting techniques.
  7. May assist in operation of firefighting equipment such as pressure pumps, etc., as required.
  8. Does general maintenance work in the upkeep of fire properties; cleans and washes walk and floors; makes minor repairs; washes and dries hose; washes, cleans, polishes, and test apparatus.
  9. Performs all other duties as assigned or required.
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### **PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS**

1. Adheres to city policy and procedures.
  2. Must be courteous and efficient.
  3. Establishes and maintains effective working relationships with others in working toward common goals. Contributes to a work atmosphere conducive to team development. Shares information, expertise and resources with others.
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## PHYSICAL STRENGTH

Applicant must be certified by a licensed physician to being physically fit in order to perform the duties of a Firefighter.

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## WORKING CONDITIONS

Must be able to work in all kinds of weather and under hazardous conditions during sustaining periods of time.

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## REQUIREMENTS OF THIS POSITION

1. Minimum age required is 19.
  2. Must be a high school graduate or have received a GED.
  3. Firefighter I Certification as required by Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission. (*\*Must obtain within 1 year of accepting position*)
  4. EMT Basic License issued by Alabama Dept of Public Health (*\*Must obtain within 18 months of accepting position*)  
*\*Probation will be extended until both of these qualifications are met; failure to meet either, will result in termination of employment.*
  5. Must have knowledge of the geography area of the City of Tuscumbia; particularly the location of the streets and fire hydrants.
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