

BREVARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FIRE PREVENTION INSPECTOR

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision, performs skilled protective service work promoting fire safety and conducting fire hazard inspections for a designated area of the County.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: (Note: The listed duties are illustrative only and are not intended to describe each and every function which may be performed in the job class. The omission of specific statements does not preclude management from assigning specific duties not listed herein if such duties are a logical assignment to the position.)

Inspects places of public assembly, halls, auditoriums, theaters, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, business and industrial establishments, within an assigned area, for existing and potential fire hazards, efficiency of fire equipment, adequacy of fire escapes and exits and general compliance with fire prevention laws.

Orders the correction of violations of existing fire prevention regulations by means of a written report. Conducts follow-up investigation to secure compliance.

Investigates complaints of violations of fire prevention regulations.

Advises and instructs occupants and owners regarding regulations pertinent to fire hazards, dangers of fire and safety practices and procedures.

Assists with investigations of suspected arson, working with State and local law enforcement agencies.

Provides and supervises training assignments in fire prevention, safety and inspection methods for volunteer and paid fire department personnel.

Conducts fire drills in schools and other publicly occupied meeting facilities. Performs public relations and information duties through presentation of fire prevention safety programs and related materials.

May be required to respond to emergency medical calls and provide basic medical care. May assist a Paramedic in assessing nature and extent of illness and in notifying medical facilities. May be required to assist in fire suppression activities, if certified in the State of Florida as a Fire Fighter.

Performs related work as required.

REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Current certification as a Fire Inspector from the State of Florida Bureau of Fire Standards and Training is required. Must possess, or obtain within one year, certification as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Must be at least 18 years of age.

Must not have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude as defined by law, within the last five years.

Must be of good moral character, as determined by investigation.

Must be in good physical condition, as determined by a medical examination given by a licensed physician as required by Brevard County.

Must have fingerprints on file with the State Fire Marshal or Brevard County. Must be able to work irregular schedules.

Must obtain a valid Florida operator's license prior to employment.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: (Note: The knowledge, skills and abilities identified in this class specification represent those needed to perform the duties of this class. Additional knowledge, skills and abilities may be applicable for individual positions.)

Thorough knowledge of fire hazards in various types of occupancies.

Thorough knowledge of the correct methods of storing and handling flammable liquids and explosive materials.

Thorough knowledge of principles and procedures of fire prevention inspection. Good knowledge of current procedures for basic life support and fire fighting. Ability to recognize existing and potential fire and casualty hazards in a wide variety of structures.

Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

Ability to enforce local and State fire safety codes, laws and ordinances.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships.

Ability to exercise sound judgement in making vital decisions during emergencies.

Ability to learn to perform patient assessment.

Ability to learn to work as a member of a team to perform Basic Life Support. Ability to learn to document accurately, patient assessment and treatment.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to learn the geography of the area.

Ability to provide training in fire prevention, safety and inspection methods.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS: This is heavy physical work.

WORK ENVIRONMENT: The work involves exposure to extremes of heat, wet, noise, odors, and hazardous conditions, often under adverse circumstances.

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