

## **FIREFIGHTERS (CALL)**

**GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:** Performs firefighting duties; does related work as required.

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This is standardized manual work of a hazardous nature involving fighting fires, salvage and rescue work under the immediate supervision of superior officers. Firefighter (Call) is employed only at the time of and immediately following a fire. On being summoned to the scene of a fire the Firefighter (Call) responds immediately and leaves when directed by the senior officer in charge.

**EXAMPLES OF WORK:** (Illustrative only)

- Responds to fire alarms and emergency calls when summoned;
- Lays and connects hose lines and nozzles, turns water on and off;
- Holds fire hose and directs the stream;
- Operates a portable pump;
- Puts up and climbs ladders, and enters burning buildings when necessary;
- Makes openings in burning buildings for ventilation and entrance;
- Removes persons from burning buildings;
- Performs salvage operations at scenes of fire, such as covering furniture with tarpaulins and cleaning debris;
- Learns and practices new methods;
- Assists in giving emergency first aid treatment to injured persons;
- Cleans and maintains firefighting equipment.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:** Mental alertness; mechanical aptitude; ability to get along well with others; willingness to perform any task assigned, conscientiousness and dependability; excellent physical condition.

**ACCEPTABLE EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:** Graduation from a high school or a governmental certificate substantiating educational development equivalent to successful completion of high school and either:

- a. Experience in firefighting training programs delivered by Fire Departments other than the City of Oneonta Fire Department and firefighting training as part of the N.Y. S. Office of Fire Prevention and Control field fire training program are desired.  
OR
- b. Call Firefighters must possess the ability to successfully complete the certified part-time/call firefighter training evaluation of the City of Oneonta Fire Department.

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