



Township of Emo

Position Description

POSITION TITLE:	Volunteer Firefighter
General Supervisor:	Deputy Chief/Captain
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Position Summary:

- Responsible for fire service public relations, fire safety education, fire prevention, professionalism, emergency site accountability, fire ground operations, emergency response, some maintenance and hall duties, and other responsibilities and duties as assigned
- The nature of this work includes some hazardous duties
- In 2015 volunteer firefighters were paid \$25.00 per call, practice, bi-weekly truck checks, and extra duties as assigned. Public Events are generally extra, as well as mandatory when able to attend, and part of our public relations.

Responsibilities:

- Responds to all types of emergencies as required, including fires, rescues, medical calls, brush fires, and other emergencies
- Follow chain of command, direction from supervisory personnel at emergency scenes as well as during all aspects of the job
- Performs the following duties at emergency scenes, although this is a position description and due to the nature of the job, the following is not all inclusive; lays and connects lines, advances hose lines, directs fire streams, defensive and offensive attack, places and climbs ladders, performs salvage and overhaul work, performs ventilation tactics as directed, enters burning and contaminated buildings as directed, performs rescue operations or fight fires as directed, and provides first aid when required

- Wears all personal protective equipment where appropriate, as supplied by the Fire Department
- Cleans apparatus and equipment, and ensures it is back in service and ready to go upon returning to the station from an emergency response, training, or other event
- Continues to strive to learn, as things are ever changing in the fire service, as well as working to achieve the NFPA certification, or other standards as per our municipal and department requirements
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

Required

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent
- Ability to work well in a team environment
- Ability to competently follow direction
- Physically fit as defined by the job performance objectives of NFPA 1582
- Successful completion of a medical examination as required by NFPA 1582. (This is completed at the conditional offer stage, prior to commencing work, and the cost is covered by the municipality)

Desired

- DZ Ontario Driver's Licence
- CPR and First Aid Certified

Working Conditions/Working Abilities:

- Nature of work requires physical exertion over prolonged periods of time, including working at heights, in hazardous situations, and stressful environments
- Able to work efficiently and handle using tools in confined spaces
- Able to establish and maintain communication and cooperative relations with others
- Exposure to hazards
- Extreme cold and hot situations for extended periods of time
- Required to work in a stressful environment
- Although generally firefighters don't work alone, ability to work alone
- Ability to follow direction as provided by a supervisor as per the chain of command

Attendance:

Required to attend at least 50% of emergency calls, unless valid reason as determined by the municipality, as well as at least 50% of all training