

CITY OF BREWER JOB DESCRIPTION – FIRE DEPARTMENT – FIREFIGHTER

The following job description applies to the person(s) selected and employed on both a full-time and a part-time basis by the City of Brewer to be Firefighters in the Fire Department. Like all other employment positions in the City of Brewer the hiring process for this position takes no regard for the race, gender, sexual orientation or religion of the person selected. Also like all other employment positions in the City of Brewer the job of Firefighter is subject to all the rules and procedures of the City Personnel Policy as amended from time to time.

In the Brewer Fire Department rank denotes position within the chain of command. Some duties are part of a position within the chain of command as denoted by rank. Assigned duties are those added work duties that are assigned to a given employee regardless of rank.

The Brewer Fire Department is effectively the emergency services bureau of the City of Brewer. To this end the department is charged with providing fire suppression, fire prevention and public education, fire code enforcement, post fire investigation, emergency medical services, water rescues and mitigation of hazardous materials, terrorist and natural disasters as well as other civil and emergency situations. The title of Firefighter may lead people to think the work is primarily active fire suppression. While fire suppression is one of the most important parts of the job many other activities are included.

Among other things the primary duties of persons in the rank of Firefighter are:

- Work cooperatively with other Firefighters and under the direction of the Officer corps.
- Work to help the Brewer Fire Department to successfully complete its legal mission as outlined in Maine State Statutes and Brewer City Codes and Ordinances.
- Learn and follow the Standard Operating Procedures of the department.
- Train to be an effective part of the fire suppression team of the Fire Department under the direction of the Fire Chief and superior Officers.
- Train to drive emergency vehicles and operate the equipment carried on those vehicles.
- Individually and as part of a team, operate the department's vehicles and equipment to aggressively suppress all types of hostile fires in Brewer.
- Train for and maintain a Maine Emergency Medical System license.
- Individually and as part of a team, respond to various emergency medical requests for service and render good assistance to those in need both in Brewer and other places under agreements the department maintains with other agencies and municipalities.
- Train for, respond to and render assistance at a wide variety of types of emergency needs in Brewer and other places under agreements the department maintains with other agencies and other municipalities.

- Train for, be prepared to respond to and work / operate at complex emergency scenes including confined space, below grade, water and high angle rescues.
- Train for, respond to and operate at hazardous materials incidents.
- When so directed by a department Officer assist in training other department members.
- When so directed by a department Officer assist with public education programs, building inspections and pre-incident planning.
- Maintain the Firefighter him / her self in good physical condition to be ready to perform all functions of the job quickly and for extended periods of time under less than ideal conditions and under all climactic conditions.
- Maintain the good traditions, spirit and morale of the Brewer Fire Department
- Perform regular, periodic and special maintenance and repair work on any vehicles, buildings and equipment owned and/or operated by the department.
- Perform in station household duties as outlined in the department's SOPs and as directed by the Officers of the department.
- Perform various test procedures on department equipment including but not limited to hose, ladders and SCBA.
- Help the department to provide civic services that include public appearances by the department at and as participants in civic events.
- Serve on-duty in the City's fire station on a prescribed schedule to be immediately prepared to respond to calls for service.

These duties are to be carried out in conjunction with the Fire Chief and the Officers of the Fire Department as well as other city employees as needed.

All Firefighters are subject to recall to incident scenes and emergency needs as determined by the Officer In Charge of the department at all times.

Firefighters report directly to the Fire Chief and at times to other superior Officers.