

**CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW
CLASS SPECIFICATION**

Position Title: Firefighter/Hazardous Materials	Job Family: VIII
General Classification: Front-Line	Job Grade:

Definition: To mitigate hazardous materials (HazMat) incidents, suppress fires, provide life-saving and rescue services, and perform prevention and other related duties.

Distinguishing Characteristics: This is the entry-level position in the fire service and is assigned to a Company in the Suppression Division. Firefighters work under the supervision of the Fire Captain. There shall be one Firefighter per shift assigned to the HazMat team. This Firefighter shall be designated as Firefighter/Hazardous Materials. When qualified and assigned, Firefighters may perform in the capacity of Fire Engineer or Fire Captain.

Examples of Duties: Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Responds with Company to all alarms and/or emergency incidents.
2. Participates in all HazMat, fire control and extinguishment, and rescue and emergency medical service activities as assigned.
3. Performs emergency medical services (EMS) as an EMT.
4. Conducts fire prevention and HazMat inspections to eliminate hazards through the enforcement of related codes and providing safety education.
5. Maintains knowledge and skill at the highest level through participation in training and skill maintenance programs.
6. Maintains Fire Department equipment, fire station facilities and related grounds, and supplies in a readily available, safe, and usable condition as assigned.
7. May assist in completing daily work on equipment, records, compiling and analyzing fire statistics, maintaining maps, and other documented information about types and locations of buildings and facilities.
8. Maintains a level of physical fitness which meets job requirements.
9. Performs other related duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

Minimum Knowledge and Skills: All HazMat employees shall be Certified HazMat Technicians (State certified or its equivalent). Such employees will receive regular training

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and be subject to annual requalification and medical evaluations in accordance with the requirements of current Department of Labor Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response Regulations. Such employees shall be subject to the requirements of pertinent State law.

Knowledge of: Modern principles and practices of fire prevention, suppression, rescue methods, EMS, and City geography.

Skill in: Interpreting departmental General Orders, current laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to hazard prevention and safety; identifying hazardous conditions and obtaining code compliance with minimal technical support; proper use and maintenance of firefighting, EMS and HazMat equipment; maintenance of fire station facilities and related grounds; and providing emergency medical services at the EMT level.

Ability to: Communicate effectively with City employees and the general public.

Experience and Training Guidelines: A combination of relevant experience, education, and training that satisfies the required minimum qualifications, knowledge, and abilities.

One year of experience in fire suppression and fire prevention work. Completion of current Hazardous Material Technician certification program.

Required Licenses or Certificates: Valid California Driver License approved by the California Department of Motor Vehicles to operate firefighting vehicles. Valid State of California or National Registry EMT certification, Santa Clara County EMT credential, and CPR card, which meets American Heart Association guidelines at the health-care provider level.

Working Conditions: Requires intermittent strenuous physical effort and unavoidable exposure to hazardous environments, which are inclusive of working in situations known to pose immediate danger to life and health (IDLH). Required to work various shifts, overtime, and on-call as assigned.

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