



## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF DEEP RIVER

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### JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Position Title: Firefighter - Volunteer</b>	<b>Location: Deep River Fire Hall</b>
<b>Reports to: Fire Chief</b>	
<b>Class: All Classes</b>	<b>Division: Fire Department</b>

#### **Summary of position:**

Under the general supervision of the Fire Chief, firefighters respond to emergencies as authorized by Council in the Establishing and Regulating Bylaw including but not limited to structural fires, forest fires, hazardous materials incidents (awareness level), motor vehicle fires/collisions, medical emergencies, ice and water rescue (land based).

Firefighters shall participate in assigned fire prevention and public fire and life safety education activities such as school fire safety curriculum activities and Ontario Fire Code drills, smoke and carbon monoxide alarm checks, building inspections for fire hazards.

Firefighters shall successfully complete the fire recruit training program and participate in at least 70 % of annual ongoing maintenance type training as established by the Fire Chief.

Additionally, firefighters shall:

- Perform routine inspections and maintenance of fire department equipment and apparatus.
- Assist with updating and reviewing pre-incident plans.
- Review all departmental policies, procedures, and pre-incident plans regularly, as directed by the Fire Chief.
- Participate in public demonstrations of firefighting techniques and equipment.
- Drive and operate fire fighting vehicles and equipment.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

### **Performance Factors/Deliverables**

Firefighters shall acquire the following qualifications/equivalencies:

- Ontario Secondary School Diploma (Grade 12) or equivalent.
- NFPA 1001 level 1 and 2
- NFPA 472 Hazardous Materials Responder - Awareness Level.
- NFPA 1002 - Pumper Operator within one year of employment by the department.
- S-103 (or equivalent as determined by the fire chief) for forest firefighting
- Maintain valid and current certification in first aid/CPR/defibrillation /O2 therapy.
- Maintain a valid "DZ" Ontario driver's licence or equivalent.
- Must maintain the knowledge, skills and job related requirements as established by the Fire Chief to complete the duties of a firefighter in the delivery of fire and emergency services as authorised by Council and outlined in the Establishing and Regulating Bylaw.
- Be able to follow instructions, complete assigned tasks individually and as part of a team, and work in highly stressful and physically demanding situations.
- Work in compliance with the requirements of the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations.

### **Responsibility for Supervision**

There is no responsibility for supervision.

### **Communications**

- Ability to effectively communicate using a 2-way portable radio.
- Ability to utilize 3-way communication.
- Interact with other department staff, municipal staff, and outside agencies
- Participate in department/municipal meetings and committees as appropriate and/or as assigned.
- Ability to communicate effectively both written and orally in English.
- Represent the Fire Department at special events as assigned.

### **Resource Management**

- Ability to manage and utilize all resources provided to carry out duties pertaining to a Firefighter

### **Work Characteristics**

- Work at emergency and non-emergency scenes for extended periods of time in adverse weather conditions under extremely physically demanding conditions. Physical demands include, extended periods of standing and walking while wearing prescribed equipment (i.e. bunker gear, SCBA, station uniform).
- Perform physical activities that require considerable use of arms and legs and moving whole body, such as climbing, lifting, balancing, walking, bending, and handling of materials.
- Participate in physical training activities to maintain required level of job related requirements.
- Work cooperatively with other emergency responders to successfully conclude an emergency incident
- Work in accordance with the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations
- Work and interact professionally and cordially with the public in the best interest of the community and the promotion of public safety