

SOUTH WALTON FIRE DISTRICT

911 North County Highway 393, Santa Rosa Beach, Florida 32459

"Prompt, Competent, Caring Response in Time of Need"



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Fire Chief / Administrator

FIREFIGHTER/EMT/PARAMEDIC

The South Walton Fire District (SWFD) is currently recruiting Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technicians/Paramedics for the January 2023 testing period.

POSITION SUMMARY:

The purpose of this position is to protect lives and property of the citizens and visitors of South Walton through fire suppression activities, emergency medical care, fire prevention, safety activities and education. Successful performance results in increased public safety and decreased property loss. To accomplish this, firefighters perform firefighting work in preventing, combating and extinguishing fires; providing emergency medical care to the sick and injured; operating and maintaining apparatus and equipment.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Responds to fire alarms and other emergency calls such as medical emergencies, traumatic emergencies and motor vehicle accidents within the scope of training.
- Extinguishes, controls fire and protects property from smoke and water damage.
- Participates in training drills, attends school and District classes on firefighting, hydraulics, first aid, fire equipment and apparatus construction and operation.
- Places equipment, lays and connects hose, operates high-capacity pumps and directs water streams, raises and climbs ladders, uses safety belts, lines and hooks.
- Provides operating and procedural information to the public and school groups, performs incident activity data entry in computers, responds to hazardous materials incidents, provides necessary support activities, and performs related work as required.
- Attends required training programs, reads necessary manuals, books, etc., practices skills and techniques, completes required proficiency tests, participates in regular classes on firefighting, emergency medical techniques, rescue, equipment maintenance and related subjects.
- Responds as part of team when incident occurs, operates assigned equipment at fire scenes involving laying and connecting hoses, holding nozzles and detecting fire streams, raising and climbing ladders, using extinguishers, lines and other equipment.
- Provides emergency medical care at incidents within the scope of training.
- Creates an opening for gaining access to patients in peculiar situations and positions.
- Administers basic and/or advanced life support care, including defibrillation, drug therapy, intravenous therapy, controlling minor and major hemorrhage, oxygen therapy and CPR.
- Performs pre-fire planning of assigned establishments.
- Performs other related duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- 18 years of age
- Hold a Florida Certificate of Compliance as a Firefighter II
- Possess a current Florida EMT or Paramedic license
- Hold a valid American Heart Association BLS Health Care Provider certification
- Hold a valid American Heart Association ACLS Health Care Provider certification, if applicable
- Possess a valid Florida driver's license with an acceptable driving record
- Hold a Florida approved 16-hour Emergency Vehicle Operator's Certificate
- Must comply with NFPA 1582 Standard on Comprehensive Occupational Medical Program for Fire Departments, 2022 Edition
- Complete the District's physical ability, written assessment and oral interview process with a passing score.

ALL CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES MUST BE ACTIVE AT THE TIME OF SUBMISSION. COPIES ARE REQUIRED.

The employee must be a non-smoker / non-user of tobacco (in any form) for at least one (1) year prior to application, remain smoke free during employment/application process and agree not to smoke or use tobacco (in any form) on or off duty during the tenure of their employment.

Initial compensation for FF/EMT = \$19.64 / hourly (approximately \$57,349 annually); compensation for FF/Paramedic = \$22.58 / hourly (approximately \$65,934 annually) after obtaining agency paramedic credentialing. SWFD offers an excellent benefits package with 48/96 schedule to begin October 2022.

The South Walton Fire District (SWFD) is a professional fire / rescue agency located in the premier beach community of the Florida panhandle. Nestled in the southern portion of Walton County with 26 miles of beaches along the Gulf of Mexico, our District is responsible for the fire protection, Emergency Medical Services Transport, Beach Lifeguards, Hazardous Material Mitigation, Technical Rescue, and Public Education and Prevention activities for 84 square miles. Our population ranges from approx. 40,000 to over 150,000 depending on our tourist season.

https://www.swfd.org/SWFD/media/data/pdf/Admin_-_Application.pdf

Completed applications can be mailed or delivered to SWFD, 911 N. County Highway 393, Santa Rosa Beach, Florida 32459 or emailed to career@swfd.org. To be considered for this testing period, your application must be received by Friday, December 9, 2022 no later than 4:00 p.m.