

# Rio Verde Fire District

## FIREFIGHTER

### JOB DESCRIPTION

**Classification Responsibilities:** The mission of the Rio Verde Fire District (RVFD) is to protect life and property through the execution of fire suppression, emergency medical services, emergency transportation service, and community prevention actions. A firefighter in the RVFD is responsible for the execution of the duties within the RVFD mission. These duties include working in hazardous environments within their training, knowledge, skills, and abilities. The duties of an RVFD firefighter also include the delivery of excellent internal and external customer service standards.

**Distinguishing Features:** RVFD firefighters are required to successfully completed a Phoenix Regional Automatic Aid Training Academy. Newly hired personnel that have not completed a Phoenix Regional Automatic Aid Training Academy, shall be classified as a Firefighter Recruit. A Firefighter Recruit shall be promoted to the rank of Firefighter after successfully graduating from the designated training academy.

Applicants that have completed a Phoenix Regional Automatic Aid Training Academy and are currently or previously employed by a Phoenix Regional Fire Department or District will be evaluated for skills competency by the RVFD prior to being hired and the promotion to the rank of Firefighter.

### QUALIFICATIONS

#### **Minimum Qualification(s) Required:**

- Arizona EMT or CEP (CEP requires current ACLS and PALS or PEPP certification)
- CPR for Healthcare Providers
- High School Diploma or GED
- Valid Arizona Drivers' License
- Pre-employment MVD Record and Background Check
- Pre-employment Drug Testing
- Successful completion of a CPAT from a licensed agency within the last 6 months (*for those currently employed with a Phoenix Regional Automatic Aid Agency, proof of successful Department Physical within the last 12 months may be accepted in lieu of CPAT*)

### ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

**Communication:** Communicates with the community and other fire district employees in performing community service, public education activities, answering questions, delivering emergency care, and ensuring patient needs. Must be able to document emergency medical encounter information in an electronic patient care reporting system.

**Manual/Physical:** RVFD Firefighters must have the physical capabilities to perform the standard job functions of a firefighter and meet the performance requirements established in regional training academies. This includes hydrant water supply to the engine company, deployment of hoses, nozzles, and appliances, operation of hoses, nozzles, and appliances, placing and operating from ground ladders, and support functions such as forceable entry, ventilation, and power tools. These skills must be done using full personal protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus as would occur in a hazardous environment.

RVFD Firefighters must have the physical capabilities to work as an EMT or Paramedic to deliver emergency medical care and emergency transportation services based on federal, state, and local standards. This involves the mobility and strength to work in tight places and move patients, with a crew, as required to treat and transport our patients.

Working in a desert environment, the standard capabilities and job functions are necessary in all weather and seasonal environments.

**Cognitive Skills:** RVFD Firefighters must have the ability to read, comprehend, and verbally communicate job related information in stressful environments. Must be able to maintain the necessary skills, functions, and certifications that are required of all RVFD Firefighters.

*The skills listed above are intended only as general illustrations of the various types of work that may be required. Specific statements of duties not included does not exclude them from the position. Job descriptions are subject to change by the RVFD as the needs of the District and requirements of the job change.*