

**FIREFIGHTER/EMT EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Grade F1 - Examination #C8802-0001-2006

THE FIRST STEP in the Chicago Firefighter/EMT examination process is a written examination. Information regarding administration of the written examination will be available when applications are accepted. **NOTE:** Only a percentage of those applicants taking the written examination will be eligible to participate in additional steps of the hiring process.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

AGE: Applicants must have reached their **19th birthday by May 31, 2006**. Proof of age **MUST** be provided at the time of application. **NOTE:** Pursuant to the Municipal Code of Chicago 2-152-410, an applicant above the age of 35 may not be appointed.

DRIVER'S LICENSE: Applicants **MUST** present a valid driver's license at the time of application.

EDUCATION: Applicants must have a minimum of a **high school diploma or GED** at the time of application.

RESIDENCY: Residency in the City of Chicago is required of all employees. Proof of residency will be required at the time of employment.

NOTE: Any person appointed to the position of Firefighter/EMT will be required to become EMT/B certified before graduation from the Fire Academy, and maintain said certification or be subject to dismissal from the service of the City of Chicago according to the rules.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Announcements will be available starting February 3, 2006 at all Chicago Public Library branches. PAPER APPLICATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE from March 22, 2006 through April 10, 2006 at all Chicago Public Library branches. Completed applications will **NOT** be accepted at these locations. Applications will also be available at the application sites below and on-line at www.cityofchicago.org/humanresources during the specified application acceptance period.

APPLY FOR AND PAY YOUR FEE ON-LINE ANYTIME AT www.cityofchicago.org/humanresources !!!

March 29, 2006, 8 a.m. through April 11, 2006, 12 p.m.

Completed paper applications will be ACCEPTED ONLY between Wednesday, March 29, 2006 and Tuesday, April 11, 2006, at the City College locations listed below, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Daley College, 7500 S. Pulaski Rd.
Harold Washington College, 30 E. Lake St.
Malcolm X College, 1900 W. Van Buren St.

Olive-Harvey College, 10001 S. Woodlawn Ave.
Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson Ave.
Wright College, 4300 N. Narragansett Ave.

Applicants who apply in person will be given their test admission ticket, study guide and test administration information sheet. On-line applicants who successfully complete the application process will be given the option of receiving their test admission information by e-mail or through the US Postal Service. Instructions on how to down-load and print the study guide and test administration information sheet will be provided on the web site. Proxies will be allowed under limited circumstances such as military duty. For information on proxies, call the Department of Human Resources at (312)744-4976.

APPLICATION FEE: \$20.00 per application. The fee payment will be collected when the application is submitted. **CASH ONLY WILL BE ACCEPTED IN PERSON. ACCEPTED ON-LINE PAYMENTS ARE CREDIT CARDS, DEBIT CARDS AND ELECTRONIC CHECKS. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN TO ANYONE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES** Paying the fee does NOT guarantee passing this examination or being offered employment with the City of Chicago. This fee is required by the Municipal Code of Chicago 2-74-020, and is charged to help pay the costs of this examination. If you are presently receiving unemployment compensation, supplemental security income or general assistance, or your income is below the federally-defined poverty level, you can call (312)744-4976 to find out what documents you must provide to qualify for a fee waiver. **Fee waivers will be available only at Harold Washington College and Olive-Harvey College during the March 29, 2006 through April 11, 2006 application period.**

EXAMINATION DATES

The examination will be administered on **Thursday, May 25, 2006 and Friday, May 26, 2006**. You will be randomly assigned a date, time (morning or afternoon session) and seat. **NO RESCHEDULES WILL BE PERMITTED.**

HIRING PROCESS

Applicants notified for further processing must pass a Background Investigation, Medical Examination, Drug Screen and Physical Abilities Test and other pre-employment procedures as determined by the Chicago Fire Department.

FIREFIGHTER/EMT DUTIES

2006 Starting Salary: \$44,838 per year

DUTIES: A Firefighter/EMT fights fires and/or responds to incidents requiring emergency medical services. Performs fire suppression and rescue duties to protect against the loss of life and the destruction of property. Provides basic life support emergency medical services to injured or ill persons at fire scenes and at emergency or disaster scenes. Provides basic first aid as a first responder. Performs search and rescue operations to locate victims and determine safest evacuation routes. Maintains fire equipment apparatus and cleans and maintains station house premises. Participates in company drills on firefighting techniques, emergency medical services, the handling of hazardous materials, extrication of victims and other associated firefighting and emergency medical services activities. Attends firefighting and emergency medical services classes. Receives and transmits fire alarms at fire stations. Performs related duties as required

SPECIAL NOTES

All references to political sponsorship or recommendation must be omitted from any and all application materials submitted for City employment.

Falsification or omission of information may subject you to disqualification and/or termination of employment, and may be punishable as perjury as well as a violation of the Municipal Code of Chicago 2-74-095, which provides for a fine of up to \$500.

Applicants who wish to apply for Veteran's Preference must submit a completed Veteran's Preference Request Form to the Department of Human Resources by June 2, 2006. Forms will be available at the time of application and at the test site. It is recommended that you submit your completed Request Form and required documentation at the test site.

Any person appointed to the position of Firefighter/EMT with the City of Chicago will be required to attain the rating of "Firefighter II" as prescribed in the Illinois Administration Code (**Title 41, Chapter 1, Section 140.310**) at the end of the probationary period or be subject to dismissal from the service of the City of Chicago according to the rules.

Any person appointed to the position of Firefighter/EMT with the City of Chicago will be required to maintain the ability needed to perform the essential duties of a Firefighter/EMT or will be subject to dismissal from the service of the City of Chicago according to the rules.

The Municipal Code of Chicago 2-152-150 prohibits the hiring of anyone who owes any debt to the City of Chicago. Any fees, fines, taxes or other debts owed to the City must be reconciled prior to further processing.

Any person appointed to the position of Firefighter/EMT with the City of Chicago will be subject to the provisions of the Municipal Code of Chicago, specifically Section 2-252-340 which requires all employees in the classified career service of the City of Chicago to be actual residents of the City of Chicago. Employees who fail to comply with the provision will be subject to dismissal from the service of the City of Chicago according to the rules.

AT ANY TIME DURING THIS EXAMINATION PROCESS OR DURING THE LIFE OF THE ELIGIBLE LIST, THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE CHICAGO FIRE DEPARTMENT RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MODIFY THE EXAMINATION, THE TEST SCHEDULE AND/OR IMPOSE ANY ADDITIONAL TESTS, STANDARDS OR QUALIFICATIONS DEEMED APPROPRIATE TO EVALUATE APPLICANTS FOR THIS POSITION.

For further information or updates about this announcement, please call the Ernst & Young Hotline at (312) 474-0175.

NOTE: If you are disabled and require a reasonable accommodation to file your application or to take the written examination, please contact the City of Chicago, Department of Human Resources, at (312)744-4976 or TTY(312)744-2563, by **April 11, 2006**. **You will be required to provide certain information regarding your request which must be submitted no later than April 12, 2006.**

This examination announcement is NOT an offer of employment. Completion of any step or all steps in the Firefighter/EMT examination process or being placed on an eligible list does not guarantee employment and does not create any contractual rights or obligations. DISQUALIFICATION OF AN APPLICANT AT ANY STEP IN THIS SELECTION PROCESS WILL RESULT IN THEIR REMOVAL FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

For more information please visit the Fire Department website

http://egov.cityofchicago.org/webportal/COCWebPortal/COC_EDITORIAL/CFDEExamForTheWeb.pdf