

**Cunningham Fire Protection District**  
**Firefighter Grade IV Job Description**



***Minimum Requirements:***

- 21 years of age or older
- Citizen of the United States or legally authorized to work in the United States
- High school diploma or general equivalency diploma (GED)
- Valid Colorado driver's license with good driving history and insurable by the District's insurer
- Current Colorado Department of Health Paramedic Certification

***For additional information about the department or minimum requirements please visit:***

<http://cfpd.org/>

Overview

Performs technical functions related to fire protection, fire suppression and emergency medical services under both emergency and non-emergency situations. The Firefighter Grade IV functions as a member of a team under direct supervision, follows the orders and direction of all superior officers, and maintains effective working relationships with supervisors, crew members, members of other crews, divisions, cooperating agencies, and the public. This is a developmental position for Firefighter Grade III.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Demonstrate knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to perform the minimum job performance requirements (JPRs) as identified in NFPA 1001 3.3.3, NFPA 472, District Standard Operating Procedures and written directives.
- Perform daily inspection and minor maintenance of emergency vehicles, including but not limited to the daily cleaning and refueling of all vehicles as directed. Ensure the readiness of support vehicles and all associated equipment.
- Document all apparatus and equipment discrepancies on the appropriate forms and report discrepancies to the Lieutenant.
- Perform station and grounds maintenance or cleaning tasks as directed.
- Participate in all training programs as scheduled or otherwise directed.
- Communicate pertinent information (pass-down) to on-coming firefighter(s) and the Lieutenant.
- Maintain knowledge of District geography including map pages, major roadways and address ranges to include Target Hazards. Shall be familiar with major roadways in Automatic and Mutual Aid areas.
- Document medical care provided in a complete, accurate and timely manner; for the purposes of data collection, billing, quality improvement and continuity of care.
- Demonstrate the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to perform the technical functions for the position as required by the Denver Metro Protocols and District Standard Operating and Administrative Procedures while functioning as an assistant to and under the direct supervision of a District Paramedic. (For Firefighters with Colorado Department of Health Paramedic Certification Only)
- Maintain the physical requirements of the job in order to safely perform firefighting and emergency medical services tasks under prolonged and adverse conditions.

- Maintain a working knowledge of, and work within written directives including but not limited to:
  - District Mission, Vision and Values
  - Policies of the District
  - District rules and regulations
  - The Standard Operating Procedures and Administrative Procedures of the District
  - The Chain of Command
  - The Incident Command System
  - The Collective Bargaining Agreement
- Respond to citizen questions, and provide information as necessary.
- Operate District vehicles in accordance with Federal and State laws and within the rules and regulations and the policies and procedures of the District.
- Perform various administrative tasks; including filing reports via-data entry for NFIRS reporting, training records and others as assigned.
- Assist in the delivery of public education programs.
- Conduct fire safety inspections in accordance with prescribed practices and adopted standards.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

#### Equipment Used

Vehicles and equipment related to firefighting which includes but is not limited to fire hoses, nozzles and appliances, axes, hydraulic jacks, sprinkler stops, Self Contained Breathing Apparatus, forcible entry tools, ladders, and other standard firefighting equipment and apparatus; emergency medical equipment and supplies; radios, pagers, computers, telephones, copiers, and various related business equipment.

#### Physical Requirements

- Ability to perform all Essential Job Tasks as defined in NFPA 1582, Chapter 5.
- Ability to lift, carry, push or pull weights up to 20 pounds on a substantial basis, daily; up to 75 pounds on a moderate basis, daily; and up to or in excess of 100 pounds on a limited basis, monthly.
- Ability to work with hands above shoulder height with up to 50 pounds on a moderate, daily basis.
- Ability to work with arms extended at shoulder height with up to 20 pounds on a moderate, daily basis.
- Ability to inspect homes and businesses, requiring limited to substantial climbing, balancing, stooping, crawling, bending, twisting, and reaching.

#### Cognitive Requirements - Fire Suppression

- Ability to understand verbal information and instruction, Ability to exchange information with others and to give instructions, and relay pertinent information.
- Ability to read and understand written materials such as necessary to interpret technical manuals pertaining to fire and emergency medical apparatus, equipment, protocols and building, and fire codes.
- Ability to translate verbal communication into effective written material, e.g. written reports, written communications, Patient Care Reports, and other documents.
- Ability to use mathematical reasoning is essential for accurate apparatus operation, emergency medical treatment and execution of fire suppression methods.
- Ability to solve problems is essential in both emergent and non-emergent situations.

## Environmental Conditions

While the majority of this position's duties are performed inside, the incumbent will frequently spend time in the out-of-doors environment, in other premises, and/or in a vehicle commuting to inspect structures or responding to emergencies. Incumbent spends a limited amount of time annually underground, and a moderate amount of time in confined or cramped space.

This position may be subjected to situations of extreme heat or cold, and/or wet/humid conditions with or without temperature change on a substantial basis, and to catastrophic conditions such as high wind, blizzard, flooding, hail, etc., on a limited basis, annually. Incumbent may encounter loud and/or irritating noises such as engines and generators, sirens and air horns and equipment vibration on a limited basis. May be exposed to fumes, odors, dusts, mists, and gases under poorly ventilated conditions on a limited basis. Exposed on a limited to moderate basis to burns, radiant energy, explosives and electrical and mechanical hazards, and to working at heights.

Moderate to high potential for exposure to toxic, caustic chemicals, stress, air and blood-borne pathogens, and motor vehicle traffic hazards associated with emergency situations.