



BRANFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT

State of Connecticut Firefighter Testing Consortium requirements

Branford is located in New Haven County, and borders the northern coast of Long Island Sound. The population in 2020 is listed at 27,670. The town is 21.8 square miles. The fire department responded to 6,248 calls for service between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021. The fire department is a combination fire department. The career staff operates out of a state of the art fire headquarters, at 45 North Main Street. The building was completed in 2012. It provides both fire protection and transport emergency medical services, as well as many specialty rescue disciplines. Because of both inland waterways, and coastal Long Island Sound, we operate four vessels for fire and rescue purposes ranging in lengths from 10-32 feet. We are the paramedic level EMS provider for the town. Successful candidates will become a member of one of the four divisions, working a 24 hour on, 72 hour off, shift rotation.

In addition to the minimum requirements, candidates must:

- Be a minimum of 18 years of age
- Must have National Registry EMT-Paramedic prior to employment date
- Must have existing medical control through Yale New Center for EMS, or be able to obtain such within 1 year of employment date.
- Must possess a valid Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) certification in accordance with the CT Fire Academy Recruit Fire School entry requirements. (Proof required). Candidates without CPAT will need to obtain CPAT certification prior to conditional job offer.
- Candidates must have, or obtain a Connecticut Q endorsement (or CDL) to operate fire apparatus within 18 months of employment date.
- Candidates must successfully pass the written and oral exams with a minimum score of 70%.
- A Background check, physical exam with drug and alcohol screening, will be conducted immediately after conditional offers are extended.
- Candidates who advance will then be interviewed by the Board of Fire Commissioners and a conditional offer of employment will be made to an individual for the position of Firefighter / Paramedic.
- Candidates will be required to attend the Connecticut Fire Academy Recruit program in February 2022, (or next available class), and successfully complete (Completion of this program in the past 24 months of date of hire may not be required to attend).

The Town reserves the right to establish an internal recruitment list for the purpose of hiring active current members within the Department.