



About Fairfield

Fairfield, Connecticut, is a charming and thriving town featuring five miles of shoreline on the Long Island Sound. Fairfield is located in Fairfield County, Connecticut, between the cities of Bridgeport and Stamford, and its 59,000 residents are mostly well educated and fall into a high-income demographic. Only 50 miles from New York City, Fairfield is easily accessible to I-95 and the Merritt Parkway and has three train stations on the Metro North line that extends from New Haven, Connecticut to New York's Grand Central Terminal.

About the Fairfield Fire Department

The Fairfield (Connecticut) Fire Department responded to eight thousand nine hundred fifty three (8953) calls for help during 2017. Those calls for help occurred throughout the entire 32 square miles of Fairfield, at all times of the day and night, and in all weather conditions, including severe storms and floods. The Fairfield Fire Department operates five Engines, one Ladder truck, one Rescue truck and one Shift Commander's vehicle out of five fire stations.

The Fairfield Fire Department responds to more than just fires. Emergency medical calls ranging from cardiac arrest to childbirth are just a few of the medical emergencies we respond to. The Fairfield Fire Department has been designated by the State Department of Emergency Medical Services as the Emergency First Responder in our community. In addition to basic level care, Fairfield's firefighters are also trained to utilize defibrillators as well as administer medication for patients having allergic reactions. Many Connecticut fire department's don't respond to emergency medical calls, they are handled by an outside service at an additional expense to the community.

The Fairfield Fire Department is a founding member of the Fairfield County Hazardous Materials Response Team. Many fire departments do not respond to hazardous materials incidents, regardless of the emergency nature. Those towns and cities are forced to have private contractors on retainer, and pay handily. Fairfield firefighters also train for Specialized Rescue Operations. Known as "SPECOPS", members of the department train for confined space rescue as well as other technical rescue emergencies. This training is continuous and intense.

When measured against any fire department, the Town of Fairfield gets the most service out of their firefighters. Additionally, the services rendered by the Fairfield Fire Department go well beyond emergency response. Armed with knowledge, equipment and training, Fairfield firefighters managed many reports of domestic terrorism. The Fairfield Fire Department continues to prepare for such homeland defense missions.

Thousands of other responses for public need are not reflected in the above statistics. Many of these non-emergency activities help reduce the number of emergency calls for help from our citizens. Smoke detector surveys and installations, fire safety education for public and private school children, fire inspections, pre-fire planning, OSHA mandated training of firefighters, police officers, public works employees and school maintenance staff, and many other efforts now make up the daily routine within our organization.

Benefits of working for the Fairfield Fire Department

- Competitive Salary
- Comprehensive medical and dental coverage
- Prescription Drug Plan
- Life Insurance Policy
- Military Buy Back Plan
- Retirement package
- College Incentive pay and reimbursement for college tuition
- Paid Holidays
- Shift Differential pay
- Yearly Clothing Allowance

Minimum Qualifications

All candidates shall be required to meet the following provisions as a condition of appointment to a position of probationary fire fighter with the Fairfield Fire Department:

- Be at least 18 years of age at the time of employment
- Have graduated from an accredited high school or completed a formal certificate of equivalency program (GED)
- Be a citizen of the United States
- A valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by the State of Connecticut or by another state (a Connecticut motor vehicle license is required before permanent appointment following the probationary period)
- Be certified as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) by the State of Connecticut by the time of employment
- Provide valid Candidates Physical Agility Test (CPAT) certificate by the time of employment
- Criminal History:
 - Have no criminal record revealing the conviction of a felony under state or federal law
 - Have no criminal record revealing the conviction of a Class A or Class B misdemeanor under State of Connecticut law or of a crime in any other jurisdiction that, if committed in this state, would constitute a Class A or Class B misdemeanor
 - Have no criminal record revealing a conviction of perjury or false statement
 - Have no criminal record revealing a conviction for any misdemeanor crime involving domestic violence.