

YOLO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Essential Job Function: *To protect life, property, and the environment by developing firefighter skills required to respond and to mitigate fire, rescue, medical aid, and hazardous materials emergencies.*

A volunteer firefighter protects life and property by preventing, combatting and extinguishing fires. Volunteer firefighters aid the public when medical or rescue emergencies arise. Volunteer firefighters are required to spend time in training to become proficient in the operation of apparatus, hose lays, nozzles, use of tools, breathing apparatus, ladders, salvage equipment, and all other items related to firefighting, fire prevention, education and public safety.

Duties: The volunteer firefighter possesses the knowledge and ability to perform all phases of firefighting, emergency medical services, and other job related tasks through regularly scheduled and special training exercises. The volunteer firefighter also responds to emergency calls at all hours, which includes days, nights, weekend, and holidays. The volunteer firefighter has the stamina, strength, agility, power, flexibility, coordination, and balance to perform all phases of firefighting while wearing protective clothing and breathing apparatus; and will remain on duty and alert for long periods; and be comfortable while working from heights, in confined spaces, and situations involving traumatic medical injuries.

Duties will include such things as provide first aid and CPR in medical emergencies; suppress and extinguish in a safe and productive manner all structure, grass, vehicle and other fires; drive and operate equipment to, during, and from emergency calls; provide support during emergency calls; put on and effectively fit SCBA in a timely manner; restock and perform general maintenance on equipment following calls; and other tasks as directed by superiors.

The District will provide protective clothing to all volunteers and the volunteer will be required to wear the appropriate apparel.

Responsibilities: All members of the Yolo Volunteer Fire Department will be of good character and standing in the community. They must also insure that there is no discrimination in any policy or practices on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, gender, marital status or age. All members are expected to participate in planned activities, in a positive and appropriate manner. Members are to follow through on agreements and commitments that they have made to the Department and fellow members. Members shall provide a safe and friendly environment free of obscene or abusive language in which social events, business, and work can be conducted.

Firefighters shall not respond to alarms on any apparatus or by private vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, or other intoxicating substances or controlled drugs. Alcohol shall not be consumed before or during drills.

Training: The volunteer must attend training exercises; current requirements are to attend a minimum of 50% of regularly scheduled and special training exercises. It is the responsibility of the volunteer to make up required training by attending fire training classes and/or courses as approved by the Chief. All volunteers are required to maintain a current CPR and First Aid card. All volunteers will comply with DMV specifications for operating fire apparatus. Only certified drivers shall drive a fire apparatus. All volunteer firefighters must maintain a valid California driver's license.