Scotts Valley Fire Protection District



POLICY: 1709

SUBJECT:

Paramedic Job Description

DATE APPROVED: 11/14/2007

BOARD CHAIR:

FIRE CHIEF: Mulay Paucum

PARAMEDIC

Job Description

REPORTS TO:

Company Officer

SUPERVISES:

Non-Supervisory Position

BASIC FUNCTION:

This is a supplemental job description for the positions of Entry Level Firefighter. Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Firefighter III, Engineer 1, Engineer II, Engineer III, Captain I, Captain II and Captain III. In addition to meeting all of those qualifications, incumbents must also be able to meet the following minimum qualifications, skills and abilities to qualify as a paramedic.

ABILITY TO:

- Observe and evaluate patient status and conditions at scene.
- Determine appropriate BLS and ALS procedures.
- Make decisions rapidly under stressful conditions.
- Perform BLS and ALS life support.
- Communicate technical and medical information effectively.
- Learn and apply Santa Cruz County radio format to transmit medical information to base hospitals.
- Write and maintain records and reports.
- Understand and carry out oral and written directions/orders.

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Successful completion of an approved State of California Paramedic program recognized by Santa Cruz County would demonstrate possession of requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities.
- Any combination of education and/or experience that demonstrates the possession of and competency in the requisite knowledge, skills and abilities necessary for job performance as a paramedic.
- Possession and maintenance of a valid State of California Paramedic License and accreditation from Santa Cruz County that meets CA State Title 22 and DOT requirements for Paramedics.
- Possession and maintenance of valid ALS and BLS certifications in: CPR, ACLS, PHTLS or BTLS, PALS or PEPP.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledge of physics, chemistry, and mechanics.
- College degree in associated field of study.

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