Firefighter / EMT

The City of Portland Fire Department is accepting applications for Firefighter/EMT. Applicants must be able to pass a written test, physical exam, physical assessment test, drug screen and background investigation. Applicants may download information and an application at the City’s website (www.portlandtx.com) or pick up an application at the Portland Fire Department, 595 Buddy Ganem, Portland, Texas. The written testing and physical assessment testing will take place on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. respectively.

We encourage applicants to attend a practice session which will be offered on Saturday, February 22, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. It is highly recommended that applicants attend this practice session as our physical assessment testing is physically demanding and we are seeking a physically fit, qualified individual to fill this position.

Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2020. The City of Portland is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- High school diploma or GED
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have a valid class “C” Texas driver’s license
- Possess a Texas Commission on Fire Protection - Firefighter certification (or EMTs who are in fire school within 90 days of fire certification)
- Have a current Texas Department of State Health Services - EMT certification
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be of good moral character and integrity
- Capable of passing a comprehensive background investigation
- Must reside within 45 miles or 1 hour drive time from the station
- This position is considered an essential position. Recall is mandatory in the events of a significant nature. The firefighter/EMT may work overtime as required.

SALARY/BENEFITS

- 48/96 Schedule
- Annual starting salary of $44,346
- Certification Pay for Intermediate, Advanced or Master Firefighter
- Certification Pay for AEMT or EMT-P
- Education Pay for Associates, Bachelor’s or Master’s Degree
- Longevity pay $10/month per year of service, and generous sick and vacation time
- Employee provided health/dental/vision insurance through Texas Municipal Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool (TMLIEBP) with FSA Account option
- Retirement through Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS) at 6%, with 2:1 city match (Vested after 10 years of service). Also supplemental death benefits for employees and retirees.
- 457(b) deferred compensation plan available