

FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS' CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

CITY OF HOUSTON

EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR

THE POSITION OF

FIREFIGHTER TRAINEE

HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

QUALIFICATIONS FOR
ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE
EXAM:

To be eligible to be hired by the City of Houston all applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age when applying and less than thirty-six (36) years of age before receiving the oath of office. Below are three (3) categories of which you may apply:

1. **Non-Certified Firefighter/EMT:** Must have sixty (60) transferable college credit hours with a grade of "C" or better (only two (2) credit hours of Physical Education will be accepted) OR at least two (2) years of full-time active military service with an honorable discharge as stipulated on a DD214 Member 4. **The HFD Compliance Date is July 31, 2015.**
2. **Certified Firefighter and EMT:** Must possess an active Texas Commission on Fire Protection State Fire Fighters Certification Basic or higher AND an Active Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Certification Basic or higher. The National Registry will not satisfy this requirement. **The HFD Compliance Date is July 31, 2015.**
3. **Certified Firefighter and Paramedic:** Must possess an active Texas Commission on Fire Protection State Fire Fighters Certification Basic or higher AND Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic certification. The National Registry will not satisfy this requirement. **The HFD Compliance Date is July 31, 2015.**

NOTE: You must attach your Fire, EMT and/or Paramedic certifications to the online application.

All **certified** applicants must have a High School Diploma or a General Equivalency Diploma (GED), and 15 transferable college credit hours with a grade of "C" or better from an accredited college or university. No course completion certificates will be accepted.

The exam will be open to candidates, who have made a proper application and have met the requirements of Chapter 143 of the Local Government Code for beginning positions in the Fire Department, which are listed in the Fire Application.

DUTIES:

- Participates in classroom lectures, seminars and practical training sessions as directed by the Houston Fire Department.
- Receives and participates in various types of training in fire suppression and emergency medical services up to and including paramedic certification.
- Participates in drills, demonstrations and instruction in hydraulics, pump operation, maintenance, fire suppression, rescue and emergency medical services.

APPLICATION TO TAKE
EXAM:

ONLY "on-line" applications will be accepted. To apply for this examination, please log on to: www.hfdcareers.org. Access to the Internet and to computer terminals may be found at the City of Houston Human Resources Department, 611 Walker, the garden level; Human Resources Department Classified Recruiting, 600 Jefferson, 6th Floor, or any Public Library. **On-line applications will be accepted until position filled.**

DATE AND TIME OF
EXAMINATION:

The examination will be given at **7:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015** at the Bayou City Event Center, 9401 Knight Road, Houston, TX 77045.

Bring your **driver's license** or other photo ID.

NOTE:

1. The minimum passing score is 70 percent on the written examination before the extra five (5) points for qualified veterans are added.
2. **Per Chapter 143.025 of the Tex. Loc. Gov't Code**, an additional five points shall be added to the examination grade of an applicant who served in the United States armed forces, received an honorable discharge, and made a passing grade on the examination. **Applicants who are eligible for extra military points must scan and send a copy of their DD214 (Member-4) to HFDCST@houstontx.gov. The last day to submit a DD214 is April 17, 2015. NO DD214s will be accepted at the test site.**
3. Texas Commission of Fire Protection State Fire Fighters Certification and Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technician Certification(s) will be subject to verification by the Human Resources Department.
4. Texas Department of State Health Services Emergency Medical Technicians Certification as a Paramedic will be subject to verification by the Human Resources Department.
5. An applicant may not take the examination for a particular eligibility list more than once.
6. The eligibility list created as a result of this examination will be effective for a period of not less than 6 months or more than 12 months as determined by the Civil Service Commission.
7. Passing applicants will be referred to the Human Resources Department Classified Recruiting section to continue processing. Any falsification in the application process will result in disqualification. Applicants must pass all phases of the hiring process.
8. Applicants' eligibility for hiring will be determined in rank order from the eligibility list.

DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: February 25, 2015

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