



Dear Prospective Member,

Thank you for your interest in joining Spokane County Fire District 8. The list below outlines the process of becoming a member of our team:

1. Complete and return an application with a current drivers abstract
2. Pass an oral interview
4. Pass a medical exam and drug screen
5. Pass a background check
6. Pass the District's Physical Agility Test

After you have completed these steps, you will begin your ongoing training in fire suppression, emergency medical services, and related topics. Your initial fire academy will take place on Thursday evenings and all-day Saturdays for approximately 10 weeks. Once this training is complete, you will be qualified to participate in fire suppression activities. In addition, 32 hours of annual ongoing training (20 hours for Tender Operators and Support Services Volunteers) is required and will consist of Thursday evening training meetings.

Following the structural firefighting academy, Volunteer Firefighters will be required to work a minimum of two 12 hour shifts per month pursuant to the Volunteer Firefighter Job Description.

Support Services and Tender Operator Volunteers are required to attend the initial fire academy on dates where the subject matter is applicable to your positions and there are no shift requirements for either of these positions.

In addition, you will also have the opportunity to attend Emergency Medical Technician class should you choose to do so. The EMT classes are offered at different times and through different agencies throughout the year. Our Training Division will keep all members apprised of any upcoming classes.

Thank you for your interest in Spokane County Fire District 8 and please do not hesitate to contact me directly with any questions you may have.

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