METRO FIRE TESTING CONSORTIUM

















Overview

The Metro Fire Testing Consortium (MFTC) was established in 2014 for the purpose of creating efficiencies for member agencies and applicants during the initial screening process for the position of entry-level firefighter EMT, firefighter paramedic, and paramedic.

Each year the MFTC administers a written and physical ability test and the results of which are used to establish a list of qualified applicants for further consideration by a Member Agency ("Member"). To be considered for volunteer, part-time employment, or full-time employment with a Member, candidates must register with the MFTC and successfully complete the written exam and if applicable, physical ability test.

Member Agencies

The preliminary testing process for the following agencies is conducted by the MFTC:

- Bluffdale City Fire Department
- Draper City, Fire Department
- Murray City Fire Department
- Sandy City Fire Department
- South Jordan City Fire Department
- South Salt Lake Fire Department
- West Jordan City Fire Department
- West Valley City Fire Department

Key Dates for 2017 Test

Registration Deadline
Refund Deadline
Written Test
Notification of Eligibility for PAT
Practice Physical Ability Test
July 16, 2017, 11:59 p.m. MST
July 29, 2017, 8:00 a.m. MST
July 29, 2017, 8:00 p.m. MST
August 1, 2017, 6:00 p.m. MST
August 5, 2017, time as assigned

Minimum Requirements to Test

The minimum qualifications to participate in the test include:

- Registered with the MFTC
- At least 18 years of age at the time of the written test
- High school diploma or GED
- Valid driver's license
- Have or currently enrolled an Emergency Medical Technician Training/Certification program

Written Test

A validated entry-level pre-employment written exam is administered to candidates. This test is intended to assist the MFTC with measuring a variety of knowledge, skills, abilities and personal characteristics of candidates such as: reading comprehension, interpreting tables, situational judgement, logical and mathematical reasoning, reading gauges, mechanical aptitude, spatial sense, and map reading.

An on-line registration process is used for the written test; the vendor used by the MFTC to coordinate the registration and collect the written test fee is Eventbrite (www.metrofiretest.eventbrite.com). You must pre-register with Eventbrite to participate in the written test. The registration deadline is July 16, 2017 at 11:59 p.m. CLICK
HERE to register for the written test. A written test fee of \$40.00 is required to be paid to Eventbrite at the time of registration. Refunds are processed by Eventbrite and the written test fee is non-refundable after 11:59 p.m. on July 16, 2017.

The written test will be held at Murray High School (5440 South State Street, Murray, Utah) on July 29, 2017. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the test will begin at 9:00 a.m. Each candidate must bring a valid picture ID to the test. Candidates arriving after 8:50 a.m., or who do not bring a valid picture ID to the test, will not be permitted to test.

Following the written exam, a cut-off score will be established by the MFTC. Candidates meeting the cut-off score, and pursuing full-time employment with a MFTC agency, will be invited to participate in the physical ability test. Candidates seeking volunteer or part-time employment only are not required to participate in the MFTC physical ability test.

Candidates who travel more than 200 miles to attend the written test may opt to take the physical ability test later that same day, July 29, 2017.

Physical Ability Test (PAT)

The "Physical Ability Test" (PAT) is used by the MFTC as an initial evaluation of an individual's physical ability to perform the essential job functions. The PAT is a pass/fail test.

The PAT for the MFTC is coordinated and administered by the Metro Fire Testing Consortium (MFTC). To be considered for full-time employment, you must successfully complete the PAT on the PAT date scheduled by the MFTC.

The MFTC PAT is scheduled for August 5, 2017. Invited candidates will be notified of their test time by July 31, 2017. Candidates must bring a valid picture ID to the PAT. No fee is charged to those candidates that participate in the MFTC PAT. Following the written test, PAT registration instructions will be provided to those candidates invited to participate in the PAT.

What Happens Next

Following the aforementioned testing, a list of eligible candidates will be established and made available to the MFTC agencies. It is anticipated the eligibility list will remain active until October 1, 2018.

As needed, MFTC agencies will invite candidates to complete a City/Department specific job application and participate in Department specific testing or evaluation. A Department may choose to limit the number of candidates invited to participate in their selection process.

Once a candidate accepts a full-time job offer by a Member, his/her name will be removed from the eligibility list. This means once a candidate accepts a <u>full-time</u> position from a MFTC agency, the candidate must retest to be considered by other consortium members. This does not apply to volunteer and part-time positions.

Successful completion of the testing process does not constitute an offer of employment.

Notifications to candidates will generally be sent by email. It is the responsibility of each candidate to keep contact information up-to-date during the eligibility period of the list. To update your contact information please contact Debbie Lyman at dlyman@sic.utah.gov or (801) 254-3742 and reference the MFTC on all correspondence.