



# Employment Opportunity

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## Career Firefighter-Paramedic

### McHenry Township Fire Protection District

Supplemental Application Deadline: September 20, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

On August 13, 2021, Governor Pritzker signed a new law (SB2150) that removes the requirement that someone age 35 or older needed to have been a member of the MTFPD prior to May 1, 2000 (5 years prior to the date on which the first full-time person was hired) in order to be eligible to test for a full-time position. What this means is that someone who is a current or former employee of the MTFPD, and was previously excluded from testing because they were age 35 or older and did not meet the 5-year requirement, and who meets all the other eligibility requirements, can now apply for the full-time FF/PM testing process.

**Again, this supplemental application process only applies to current and former MTFPD employees who were previously ineligible due to being age 35 or older.**

If you are interested in testing and believe that you are now eligible, but are uncertain – you are encouraged to apply – once we receive your application it will be evaluated and a final determination of your eligibility will be made.

The McHenry Township Fire Protection District is located approximately 60 miles northwest of Chicago in the northeastern portion of McHenry County and covers a 56 square mile area including the communities of Bull Valley, Johnsburg, Lakemoor, McCullom Lake, McHenry, Ringwood, and portions of Wonder Lake, Island Lake and unincorporated McHenry county. The MTFPD responds to almost 6,000 emergency calls per year from five strategically located fire stations. The department is currently staffed daily by a combination of part-time/paid on premise personnel that primarily work 12-hour shifts, career (24 hour) Lieutenants and a Battalion Chief. There are approximately 50,000 year-round residents within the district.

## The Position

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The McHenry Township Fire Protection District is seeking highly energetic, strongly motivated individuals for the position of Career Firefighter-Paramedic who possess a combination of knowledge, experience, skills and abilities suited for the District's unique operational needs. Candidates must be consummate professionals both on and off-duty and must set a good example for others. Candidates must exhibit integrity, loyalty, commitment to lifelong learning and a passion for the fire service.

This position involves working both assigned shifts and responding off-duty, as required. This position is appointed by the Board of Fire Commissioners and is considered a career, full time position.

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## Minimum Qualifications and Experience

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- A current or former MTFPD employee age 35 or older that was previously ineligible to test prior to the change in law (SB2150)
- Legal resident of the United States of America
- Possess valid State Driver's License
- Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) Firefighter II or Basic Operations Firefighter as of September 20, 2021
- Be capable of reading, speaking and writing in the English language
- Meet knowledge, health and physical qualifications established by the District
- Successfully complete all components of hiring process
- Pass a background investigation, pre-employment medical exam and drug test
- OSFM Fire Apparatus Engineer (FAE) required within 1 year of hire
- Exhibit good moral character, temperate personal habits and show evidence of an industrious work ethic

At time of conditional offer, candidate shall be required to possess:

- Illinois Department of Public Health EMT-Paramedic license
- Successful completion of Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) including optional ladder climb within one (1) year preceding date of conditional offer

This test will establish a list that will be valid for two years.



## Salary and Benefits

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The starting salary is \$65,000 per year. The salary range is \$65,000-\$102,304.61 per year.

Benefits: Full benefit package including health insurance, vacation and sick days, Holiday Pay and Illinois Firefighters Pension Plan (Article 4).

## Testing Process

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Interested candidates, that are now eligible due to the new law, are encouraged to apply for the Career Firefighter-Paramedic position by submitting a completed application and all supporting materials. The application is available beginning August 23, 2021 on the MTFPD website at [www.mtffd.org](http://www.mtffd.org)

**Completed applications and all requested documentation must be submitted via the District website by 9:00 a.m. on September 20, 2021.**

**Mailed, faxed, emailed, incomplete, or late applications will not be considered.**

**The testing process will begin with a MANDATORY candidate orientation session to be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at the McHenry Township FPD Fire Station 1, 3610 W. Elm Street, McHenry, followed by a written test on Friday, September 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the same location.**

**Interviews are planned for September 29, 2021.**

**Further information regarding the process, including additional dates will be provided at that time.**

