

**City of Huron  
Job Description**

**JOB TITLE:** Volunteer Fire Fighter  
**DEPARTMENT:** Fire  
**ACCOUNTABLE TO:** Volunteer Fire Chief & then Chain of Command

**PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF POSITION:** Under direct supervision responds to alarms and other emergency calls to protect life and property. Participates in fire prevention programs, inspections and training activities. Work varies requiring individual judgment within prescribed standards and procedures.

**ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:** Physical requirements include climbing, working under stress, walking, lifting up to 100#'s (greater with assistance), pulling, tugging, dragging, bending, stooping, climbing, and using breathing apparatus; must have ability to communicate by listening, hearing, and speaking; has frequent contact with unpredictable and uncontrollable physical conditions of heat, chemicals, infectious diseases, and explosives, requiring use of proper safety equipment and procedures to prevent injury. Must have a valid South Dakota Operator's License and be able to pass the South Dakota Fire Fighter Certifications within a specified time.

**MAJOR AREAS OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND PERFORMANCE:**

- Responds to alarms and assists in the suppression of fires, including rescue, entry, ventilating, and salvage work; operates resuscitators, and administers first aid; after the fire has been extinguished, performs clean-up work and prepares for further alarms; participates in continuing training and instruction programs by individual study, attendance at scheduled drills, and classes relating to firefighting techniques; may assist in inspections for fire prevention and pre-fire planning; participates in periodic testing of pumps and equipment; performs other related duties that may include safety, training, inspection, and emergency services.
- Maintains good physical condition; uses equipment requiring care to assure against breakdown or deterioration; contact with the public and fellow employees is incidental to performance of duties; duties may require substantial physical effort and contact with unpredictable and uncontrollable physical conditions and hazards.

**SUPERVISION - RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORK OF OTHERS:** None

**EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:** Graduation from high school or its equivalent. Must possess a valid South Dakota Operator's License. Age 18 or over. Must pass the South Dakota Fire Fighter Certifications within a specified time.

**JOB TITLE: Volunteer Fire Fighter (continued)**

**EXAMPLES OF PERFORMANCE CRITERIA AND QUALIFICATIONS:**

Responds to fires and alarms promptly and efficiently;

Understands and uses equipment and fire suppression methods properly and effectively;

Maintains and tests equipment and apparatus;

Attends training sessions regularly, may perform fire prevention inspections and applies knowledge gained in the field;

Understands and follows oral and written instructions;

Maintains effective working relationships with fellow employees and superiors, other departments, and the public.

Perform other such duties as may be assigned. Management reserves the right to assign or reassign duties and responsibilities to this job at any time.