

# Mequon Fire Department Paid on Call Firefighter/EMT Employment Information

Are you interested in being part of a team? Providing service to your community?

Learning new skills and taking on new challenges?

Earning income at least \$16.02 - \$24.07 per hour for you and your family?

#### What are the benefits of being a member of the Mequon Fire Department?

The department has been providing fire and emergency medical services to the residents of Mequon for over 75 years. Many members of the department have used the technical skills and training they have received in the field of firefighting and emergency medicine to secure jobs as full-time members in departments throughout the state. Other members of the department use the extra income they earn to pay for their college education, family trips, or retirement savings.

Being a member with the Mequon Fire Department offers you the chance for a challenging position that offers many personal rewards. Experience is not necessary to join our team of dedicated professionals. All you need is a desire to help others, and you will take away the satisfaction of helping a neighbor in the time of crisis. Few jobs offer the opportunity to challenge yourself the way public service does, but as a paid-on-call member you could be called to save a life at a moments notice.

### **How does the Mequon Fire Department Operate?**

The department serves over 24,000 residents in approximately 48 square miles and operates out of two firehouses. Station one is located on the West side at 11300 N. Buntrock Ave. and the other firehouse is located on the East side at 11800 N. Port Washington Rd. The Mequon Fire Department responds to over 1300 emergency calls each year, which include fire, various rescue type calls, auto accidents, hazardous materials spills, weather-related emergencies, emergency medical calls and mutual aid to surrounding fire departments. The department is comprised of about 60 paid-on-call firefighters, firefighters/EMTs and EMTs who are given pagers and respond to the scene or station when needed for emergency medical care or a fire.

## How do I get training needed to become a firefighter and/or EMT?

Paid-on-call firefighters and/or EMTs receive expert training on a regular basis from the department's training bureau and its staff of certificated training instructors. All members are trained to the National Fire Protection Association Standards. In addition to departmental training, members are encouraged to attend seminars and additional training provided by other agencies and organizations.

## What are the requirements to apply to become a firefighter and/or EMT?

- -Be at least 18 years of age
- -Have a High School Diploma or Equivalent
- -Hold a valid Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Operator's License
- -Complete a written and oral exam, physical agility test, and medical examination
- -Reside or work within seven minutes travel distance to the firehouse(s).

Persons applying to be EMTs only are not required to reside or work for a different employer within seven (7) minutes travel distance of one of the City's fire stations. However, when on a standby shift, the member must be at a location that is within seven (7) minutes travel distance of one of the City's fire stations for the duration of the standby shift when not responding to a EMS call. These members may voluntarily choose to stay at one of the City's fire stations during their standby shift or choose to make other arrangements to meet this requirement.

### How do I apply to become a member of the Mequon Fire Department?

For more information on becoming a member of the Mequon Fire Department, please complete the *City of Mequon Employment Application* and mail to: **Fire Chief, Mequon Fire Department, 11300 N. Buntrock Avenue, Mequon, WI 53092.** The Fire Department will contact you to advise you of the additional steps to becoming a candidate.