GOVERNMENT OF MAURITIUS

SCHEME OF SERVICE SPECIFIED UNDER REGULATION 16 OF THE DISCIPLINED FORCES SERVICE COMMISSION REGULATIONS

Department: Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service

Post: Firefighter

Salary: Rs 15,750 x 325 – 17,700 x 375 – 19,575 QB 20,050 x 475 – 21,950 x 625 – 23,200 x 775 – 31,725 (07 033 062)

Effective Date: 03 August 2018

Age Limit: Not less than 19 years and not more than 30 years

Qualifications:

A. A Cambridge School Certificate with at least a pass in English Language, French Language and Mathematics or Principles of Accounts or Passes obtained on one certificate at the General Certificate of Education “Ordinary Level” either (i) in five subjects including English Language, French Language and Mathematics or Principles of Accounts with at least Grade C in any two subjects or (ii) in six subjects including English Language, French Language and Mathematics or Principles of Accounts with at least Grade C in any one subject or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the Disciplined Forces Service Commission.

B. Candidates should have a good physique with their Body Mass Index (BMI) values ranging between 18.50 and 27.50 and they should be able to undergo strenuous physical exercise. They should have a normal eyesight (without glasses or contact lenses) and also satisfy the following minimum physical requirements –

For male candidates

Height 1 m 70
Chest Measurement 84 cm
(normal inspiration)

For female candidates

Height 1 m 63

C. Candidates should –

(i) possess a Private Car Driving Licence (manual gear); and
(ii) be computer literate.

Candidates should produce documentary evidence of knowledge claimed.

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NOTE 1
Candidates should not bear tattoos on visible parts of their body whilst wearing uniform with short sleeves.

NOTE 2
Selected candidates will be appointed in a temporary capacity in the first instance and will be required to undergo both theoretical and practical training including on-the-job training for a period of at least one year in all aspects of the work of a Firefighter, as approved and arranged by the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service. On satisfactory completion of the training and on being favourably reported upon, they will be considered for appointment to the grade of Firefighter, as and when vacancies occur.

NOTE 3
A. Firefighters will be required to obtain –
   (i) a Goods Vehicle Driving Licence (manual gear); and
   (ii) a Service Driving Licence (manual gear) for car and van
before being eligible for confirmation.

B. Firefighters will be allowed to proceed beyond the Qualification Bar (QB) in the salary scale provided they possess a Service Motor Lorries Driving Licence (manual gear).

DUTIES:
1. To be responsible to the officer in charge of the Fire Station/Section/Unit/Crew for the performance of the following duties –
   (i) to prevent, fight, control and extinguish fires;
   (ii) to protect persons, animals, property and the environment against fire or any other emergency;

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(iii) to respond promptly and safely to all emergency calls and requests for assistance in compliance with departmental and Road Traffic Regulations;

(iv) to attend to Road Traffic accidents and effect extrication duties;

(v) to carry out search and rescue operations;

(vi) to attend to Hazardous Materials Incidents (Hazmat) incidents;

(vii) to maintain and test all equipment and appliances in accordance with approved standards and procedures;

(viii) to verify all firefighting and rescue vehicles to ensure that they are in a state of readiness;

(ix) to undergo continuous training and learning programmes by attending lectures, exercises, simulated incidents, practice drill sessions and maintain a level of personal fitness necessary to carry out all duties of Firefighter;

(x) to educate and inform the communities on fire safety and emergency preparedness;

(xi) to clean and maintain station premises and yards;

(xii) to undertake routine administrative tasks as required and to ensure all entries and records are correct and kept up-to-date;

(xiii) to carry out fire safety inspection and enforcement of safety standards in line with Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service Fire code;

(xiv) to perform watchroom/control room operator duties and keeping of Occurrence Book (OB); and

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(xv) to carry out daily testing of operational communications systems.

2. To use ICT in the performance of his duties.

3. To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from the Firefighter in the roles ascribed to him.

Note

1. Firefighters will be required to undergo medical/psychological tests including blood/urine tests for drug misuse, during their training period or, as and when required, to assess their fitness to service the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service.

2. Firefighters will be required to work on a shift system covering a 24 hr service including Sundays and Public Holidays and officially declared cyclone days and during emergencies.

3. Firefighters are liable to be called upon to service any Fire Station/Section/Unit/Specialised Unit within the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service and the Outer Islands.

4. Firefighters will be required to attend any training course for which they may be nominated.

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