Code: **8771**Public Safety Service
Fire Service Group
Firefighting Series

CLASS TITLE: Firefighter (Per Arbitrators Award)

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS: Under supervision, engages in firefighting and fire prevention activities and maintains fire department property and equipment; and performs related duties as required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Responds to fire alarms and fights fires using various types of fire fighting equipment; provides emergency medical services and first aid; maintains fire equipment apparatus; assists in cleaning and maintaining station house premises; participates in fire drills and attends classes on firefighting; stands watch at fire stations to receive and transmit fire alarms; may drive motor vehicles; and may respond to hazardous materials incidents.

DESIRABLE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

<u>Training and Experience</u>. Career Service status as a Paramedic or Paramedic Officer; or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

Knowledge, Abilities and Skill. Considerable knowledge of emergency first aid and medical service provision. Good knowledge of the methods and techniques of extinguishing fires and rescuing people from fires. Good knowledge of the location of City streets.

Ability to work long hours under adverse conditions including inclement weather. Ability to follow oral instructions. Ability to react calmly in emergency situations and to use good judgment in evaluating life-threatening situations and making decisions.

Working skill in the application of modern firefighting techniques. Working skill in maintaining effective work relationships. Working skill in caring for and maintaining firefighting tools, equipment and apparatus.

NOTE: Must possess a valid State of Illinois driver's license.