

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_



**GIBSONS & DISTRICT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER  
APPLICATION**

**ACCURATE, LEGIBLE COMPLETION OF THIS  
APPLICATION FORM IS THE FIRST STEP IN THE  
DEPARTMENT SCREENING PROCESS.**

**PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED ON THIS APPLICATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Initial

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If applicable)

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

BC DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ AIR BRAKES: Yes / No

*Please attach a copy of your current drivers abstract, available from any ICBC Driver Service Center.*

WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

SUPERVISOR: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

HOURS OF WORK: \_\_\_\_\_ Days / Shift / Commuter  
Circle as applicable

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS: YES OR NO**

**ARE YOU BETWEEN THE AGES OF 19 AND 64?** YES / No

**DO YOU HAVE ANY PREVIOUS FIRE FIGHTER TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE?** YES / No  
IF YES, WHERE: \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN: \_\_\_\_\_ FOR HOW LONG: \_\_\_\_\_  
CONTACT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**HAVE YOU EVER HELD A FIRST RESPONDER LICENSE?** YES / No  
LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_ HOW LONG: \_\_\_\_\_

**DO YOU WEAR GLASSES OR CONTACTS?** YES / No

**FIRE FIGHTING CAN INVOLVE EXTREME SITUATIONS, WHICH INCLUDE HEIGHTS, ENCLOSED SPACES, HEAT, WATER ETC. DO YOU HAVE ANY CONDITION, WHICH MAY MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO FUNCTION EFFECTIVELY?** YES / No  
IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

**WOULD YOU CONSENT TO A CRIMINAL RECORD SEARCH?** YES / No

**WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER IN OUR COMMUNITY?**

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**DUE TO THE DEMANDS OF FIREFIGHTING, EACH APPLICANT IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A LETTER FROM A MEDICAL PHYSICIAN CONFIRMING THE APPLICANT'S FITNESS FOR FIREFIGHTING.**

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I apply for membership as a **volunteer** firefighter in the **Gibsons & District Volunteer Fire Department**.

I verify that the information contained on this application form is true and accurate.  
I hereby give consent to the Gibsons & District Volunteer Fire Department to conduct verification of any information given, as required.

If accepted, I will undertake to perform all duties to the best of my ability, as may be assigned to me by the Fire Chief, or his delegated representative in the Gibsons & District Volunteer Fire Department.

**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:**

- Current drivers abstract
- Medical fitness letter from a medical Doctor
- Copy of fire fighting training certificates or other documentation
- Copy of First Responders license
- Copy of other relevant documents (e.g. First Aid, Trade Tickets )

**Appendix A**

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Doctor;

\_\_\_\_\_ is applying to become a recruit firefighter with the Gibsons & District Volunteer Fire Department.

Firefighting can involve extreme physical and mental demands. Both the fire department and the applicant need to know that the applicant is fit to perform the duties of a firefighter.

Firefighters should be in good physical condition. They may also be required to function in extreme conditions, including heights, enclosed spaces, in and around water, and in extreme temperatures.

Attached is a list of the physical requirements of the Firefighter Physical Aptitude Course, which recruit firefighters are required to complete. While the Firefighter Physical Aptitude Course does not include all of the tasks a firefighter may be required to perform, it does indicate some of the physical capabilities required.

Please confirm that the recruit applicant is medically fit and, in your opinion, able to perform the duties of a firefighter in a manner which will not endanger the safety of the applicant or others.

Sincerely,

*R. Bruce McClymont*

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Deputy Chief, Personnel  
Gibsons & District VFD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTENTION: Deputy Chief Bruce McClymont

I have examined \_\_\_\_\_ and reviewed the statement referred to above and the attached requirements. I confirm that the applicant is fit to perform the duties of a firefighter.

I acknowledge that firefighting can involve extreme conditions and have advised \_\_\_\_\_ of the importance of remaining in good physical condition.

Yours truly,

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Office address: \_\_\_\_\_

## **FIREFIGHTER PHYSICAL APTITUDE COURSE REQUIREMENTS.**

The firefighter recruit will complete the following skill sets within 6 minutes for a satisfactory grade:

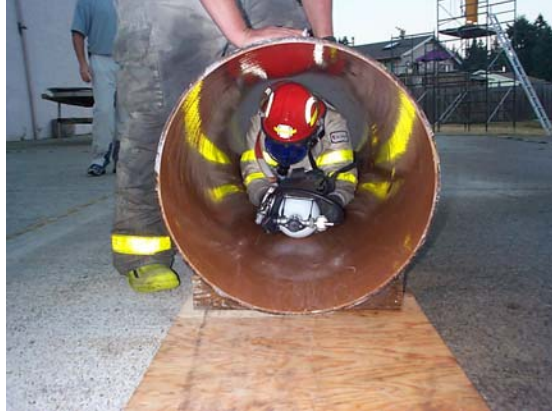
- While wearing full personal protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus, which weighs +/- 56 pounds.
- The recruit firefighter will walk 25' to the 1<sup>st</sup> station.
- Connect a 50' length of 1-1/2" firefighting hose to a water supply valve, attach a nozzle, and turn the water on charging the hose line.
- The recruit firefighter will then extend the hose line its full length to station #2, a teeter-totter, which has an empty bucket at one end and a pail of sand at the other.
- Holding the nozzle on the hose line above the head of the recruit firefighter, the recruit firefighter will fill the empty bucket until the teeter-totter lifts the pail of sand at the opposite end.
- Moving to the pail end of the teeter-totter, the recruit firefighter will pick up a fire axe from the ground and move on to station 3.
- Station 3 is a 10' high set of scaffolding with a rope hanging down the front and a single ground ladder off to one side.
- The recruit firefighter will tie the axe to the rope, then climb the ladder to the top of the scaffolding, which is station # 4.
- The recruit firefighter will then pull the axe up to the top, and untie the axe from the rope, then chop the axe into a block of wood so that it does not fall out.
- The recruit firefighter will then climb down the ladder and move on to station #5.
- Station #5 is a 6' long 24" diameter tube that the recruit firefighter will have to slide through holding the air cylinder in his/her hands while not allowing the facemask to dislodge from their face.
- Once through the tube, the recruit firefighter will put the air cylinder back on his/her back and move on to station #6.
- Station #6, the final station, is a dummy drag.
- The recruit firefighter will have to pick up the dummy in an under arm carry and drag the dummy a minimum distance of 60' to the start finish line.

**FIREFIGHTER PHYSICAL APITUDE COURSE :**

**Station #2:**



**Station #5:**



**Station #6:**



**Station #3:**



**Station #4:**





Dear Applicant;

Thank you for your interest in the Gibsons & District Volunteer Fire Department. We are a Volunteer Organization responding to the Emergency needs of our community. It is a very rewarding vocation, but there is a minimum commitment that we need and expect from our members.

For consideration as a member of the Gibsons & District Volunteer Fire Department the following is required:

- ✓ Completion of the application form
- ✓ Successful interview with the Officers of the GDVFD
- ✓ Successful completion of the Recruit Training Program
- ✓ Successful completion of the Firefighter Physical Aptitude Course within 6 minutes

Upon completion of the above, you will need a minimum 75% acceptance of the regular members by vote, after your 6 month probationary period. You will also need to attend a minimum of 16 hrs of training per quarter, and 20% of all emergency call outs.

Sincerely,

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