

JOB PROFILE

JOB TITLE:	Hydrant Technician
SALARY GRADE:	Grade 4
SALARY RANGE:	£24,790 - £25,183
J E REFERENCE:	A103
DIRECTORATE:	Operational Preparedness
TEAM:	Water Supplies
LOCATION OF WORK:	Service Headquarters
HOURS OF WORK:	35
DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE TO:	Water Section Team Leader

JOB SUMMARY

To test, inspect and maintain all hydrants belonging to the Service.

MAIN DUTIES / RESPONSIBILITIES

1. To undertake dry repairs to Service Hydrants, replacement of lids, renewing of framework and changing outlets and to maintain and repair hydrant marker systems.
2. To be on call (within normal work hours) for emergency repairs to make safe, (e.g. tripping hazards, missing lids).
3. To undertake flow and pressure testing at request of Water Section.
4. To test and inspect all types of hydrants.
5. To investigate the condition of fire hydrants in the event of litigation claims.
6. To perform identification and investigation of hydrant locations and to locate and identify fire hydrants not located during routine inspections.
7. To work with internal and external personnel with regards to all matters relating to hydrants and attendance at meetings/consultations with united utilities and contractors, both on site and at SHQ.
8. To conduct initial risk assessments of areas to determine availability of firefighting water supplies in order to assist in confirming necessity of repairs for all hydrant defects submitted to Water Section using best value option to create savings and to reduce hydrant stock.
9. To check new installations and repairs meet MFRS specification checklist and to provide photographic evidence and written report on unsatisfactory repairs and council defects.
10. To reclaim hydrant lids, etc. from united utilities and contractors sites and to modify ill-fitting lids on site using various technical equipment.
11. To be responsible for safe removal and disposal of hypodermic syringes from hydrant pits.

12. To undertake any training courses, internal/external, that MFRS decide are relevant to the post.
13. To undertake any other duties deemed suitable by the Authority commensurate with the grade.

MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE OUR VISION

To be the best Fire & Rescue Service in the UK. One team, putting its communities first.

MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE OUR PURPOSE

Here to serve. Here to protect. Here to keep you safe.

WORKING WITH MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE OUR VALUES

It is essential that all employees of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service (MF&RS) both operational and non operational are committed to encourage and promote the values of MF&RS and comply with the required standards of conduct and so promote the Authority within the community by acting with integrity and honesty. The Authority expects all of its employees to have and be able to demonstrate the following personal values:

We serve with courage

- By never settling for the status quo
- By being decisive and calm under pressure
- By having determination to see things through
- By being prepared to fail
- By celebrating diversity and being open to new opportunities and challenges
- By setting high standards and not being embarrassed for doing so
- By challenging ourselves to be better

We serve with integrity

- By doing the right thing even when its hard or no one is looking
- By leading by example
- By standing up for what matters
- By being open, honest and fair
- By making decisions based on facts
- By explaining the why
- By being consistent
- By always doing what we say we are going to do

We serve with compassion

- By acting with empathy and kindness
- By actively listening – hearing what is being said
- By going the extra mile to help
- By looking after and supporting each other, noticing what is going on for people
- By recognising each other's contribution
- By creating a sense of belonging
- By embracing and understanding difference

INTERPERSONAL & COMMUNICATION SKILLS

The jobholder is, on occasions, required to motivate and/or train other members of staff. The exchange of complicated and/or sensitive information is a requirement of the job, The communication of this information can be carried out orally or in writing, with two or three different types of audience.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPERVISION

The jobholder is not required to supervise or manage any Organisation employees. The job occasionally involves the demonstration of duties to, giving advice and guidance to, or the training of other

employees, students or trainees.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The jobholder has some responsibility for financial resources. He/she has to account for expenditure, income, money in the form of cash, cheques, direct debits, invoices, or some other equivalent, where care, accuracy and security are particularly important. The sums involved are relatively small.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PHYSICAL RESOURCES

The jobholder's main responsibility for physical resources is for manual and/or computer information. He/she personally produces or processes some of this information and is responsible for the accuracy of the data produced by other people or for taking positive and unusual steps to ensure the accuracy, confidentiality and security of data produced personally. The jobholder also has a responsibility for equipment and/or tools which he/she has to use to do the job.

CORE REQUIREMENTS – EQUALITY & DIVERSITY, HEALTH & SAFETY, CONFIDENTIALITY & DATA PROTECTION

To be responsible for ensuring that your conduct and behaviour accords with Service Policies on Equality and Fairness at Work and Ground Rules, and for promoting an environment of dignity and respect amongst colleagues.

It is the policy of Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority (MFRA) to provide, maintain and seek continual improvement of, as far as is reasonably practicable, a safe working environment for all of its employees and for others that may be affected by its activities. Everyone has a personal responsibility for their own safety and health, for others in the workplace and for the environment in which they work. It is, therefore, the duty of every employee whilst at work to take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and of other persons who may be affected by their acts or omissions at work;

Confidentiality / data protection regarding all personal information and Authority activity must be maintained at all times (both in and out of work). The post holder must be able to recognise the importance and sensitivity of issues, ensuring that confidentiality is maintained at all times. All employees should ensure that they are familiar with and adhere to the Authority's data protection policy.

REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS

The details contained in this job profile reflect the content of this job at the date it was prepared. It should be remembered, however that it is inevitable that over time, the nature of individual jobs will change, existing duties may no longer be required and other duties may be gained without changing the general nature of the duties or the level of responsibility entailed. Consequently, the Authority will expect to revise this job profile from time to time and will consult with the post holder at the appropriate time.

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