

BOSSIER CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT FIREFIGHTER APPLICATION CHECKLIST

This Application must be completed to the following guidelines in order to be accepted. There can be NO exceptions to the list of items needed. This checklist does not need to be returned as it has been provided for your benefit only.

_____ Personal Inquiry Waiver (Signed and Dated)

_____ Application (Signed and Dated)

_____ Printed OSE email with firefighter exam score

_____ Three Letters of Recommendation addressed to:

Bossier City Fire Department
Blair Bockhaus
Fire Chief

Copies of the Following:

_____ Birth Certificate

_____ Driver's License

_____ High School Diploma or Equivalent

_____ Form DD-214 (if prior military service)

How to become employed as a Firefighter or Police Officer

Entry-level Firefighter and Police Officer exams are given throughout the state by the Office of State Examiner.

The applicants will apply directly to our office, through the OSE website, during a 10 day posting period. The information on how to apply will be on the website under the "Competitive Applicants" tab. This link will take the applicant to the page with information on how to apply to take entry-level Firefighter and entry-level Police Office exams.

- The application is now an online form. Once completed, a copy of the submission is automatically sent back to the email address provided. This will be your receipt. **This will be the only way to apply.**
- Should you have an American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodation or you are requesting Veteran's Points you will need to send your supporting documents to us at the email address listed on the website.
- We will not accept applications by mail.
- Applications will only be accepted during the 10 day posting period.
- Applications received before or after the 10 day posting period will be automatically rejected.
- Applicants will receive notification of acceptance 5 days prior to the test date via email provided on the application. This is also how each applicant will receive the test score.
- The OSE suggest that interested applicants check the OSE website weekly for new exam dates coming in the future.
- Additional information concerning this process is available on our website.
- Your score is good for 18 months from the date the State Examiner certifies your test score.

Once you apply, take, and pass the exam you will be eligible to be hired. You should contact the jurisdiction you wish to employed with, and fill out their application for employment.

If you have any questions please contact us at (225) 925-4000, Monday – Friday from 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

INSTRUCTION SHEET
CITY OF BOSSIER CITY
MUNICIPAL FIRE AND POLICE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD

Your interest in the Bossier City Fire Department is greatly appreciated. In an effort to secure employees with high levels of honesty, integrity and moral character, we provide you with this set of instructions for completing an application for employment. Read and follow these instructions carefully and precisely.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SAME WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR APPLICATION

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION

1. Fill out the application in ink and in your own best handwriting.
2. Answer fully every question that applies to you. When you are asked for an address, be sure to supply full mailing address, including zip code. Sign and date the application.
3. You must attach the following documents to your application for it to be considered. The Bossier City Fire Department will not make copies for you.
 - A. **BIRTH CERTIFICATE (copy)**
 - B. **CURRENT DRIVERS LICENSE (copy)**
 - C. **HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR EQUIVALENT (copy)**
 - D. **FORM DD-214, IF PRIOR MILITARY SERVICE (copy)**
 - E. **THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION ADDRESSED TO BLAIR BOCKHAUS, FIRE CHIEF**
 - F. **CURRENT CIVIL SERVICE EXAM SCORE (email copy)**
4. If you answer yes to the questions on the application (concerning prior conviction), attach a signed statement to your application giving complete details, including the date, place, charge, outcome and a full explanation of the circumstances for each and every instance. In reference to this matter, you should be advised that the Bossier City Fire Department routinely checks out applicants.
5. In order to avoid imposing on your time, please note the following:
 - A. If you have been discharged from military service and received a dishonorable discharge, the Board's general policy is not to accept such applicants.
 - B. It is the policy of this Department not to hire individuals who have recently used illegal drugs or narcotics.
6. You must sign a Personal Inquiry Waiver for release of personal information and return it with completed application.
7. If you have a current application on file, it shall be the responsibility of the applicant to notify the Bossier City Fire Department of any changes in address or telephone.

REQUIREMENTS TO TAKE FIREFIGHTER CIVIL SERVICE EXAM

- Must be not less than eighteen (18) years of age.
- Must have completed Standard High School Education or possess a valid Certificate of Equivalency by a State Department of Education.



PERSONAL INQUIRY WAIVER

AUTHORITY FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

TO _____

I respectfully request and authorize you to furnish the Bossier City Fire Department any and all information that you may have concerning me, my work record, school record, my reputation, my financial and credit status. Please include any and all medical, physical and mental records or reports including all information of a confidential or privileged nature, and Photostats of same if requested. This information is to be used to assist the Department in determining my qualifications and fitness for the position I am seeking with the Bossier City Fire Department.

I hereby release you, your organization or others from any liability or damage which may result from furnishing the information requested above.

A PHOTOCOPY OF THIS RELEASE FORM WILL BE AS VALID AS AN ORIGINAL THEREOF, EVEN THOUGH THE SAID PHOTOCOPY DOES NOT CONTAIN MY ORIGINAL SIGNATURE.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Print Name

FIRE AND POLICE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD APPLICATION FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. FAILURE TO ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS IN THIS APPLICATION AND FAILURE TO ATTACH ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION TO THIS APPLICATION MAY CAUSE YOUR APPLICATION TO BE REJECTED.

NAME:	FIRST	MIDDLE	LAST
STREET ADDRESS/P.O. BOX NO.		CITY/TOWN	STATE/ZIP
HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER (WITH AREA CODE) ()		OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER (WITH AREA CODE) ()	
EMAIL ADDRESS		DATE OF BIRTH: MONTH/DATE/YEAR:	
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	ARE YOU A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		DRIVER'S LICENSE NO: _____ EXPIRATION DATE: _____

EXAMINATION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING (FILE A SEPARATE APPLICATION FOR EACH EXAMINATION)

RACE/SEX INFORMATION

The Federal government requires that we request the following race and sex information for statistical reporting purposes. Completion of this section is voluntary, and your application will not be rejected if you choose not to provide this information.

<input type="checkbox"/> Male	<input type="checkbox"/> White	<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic	<input type="checkbox"/> Am. Indian	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian
<input type="checkbox"/> Female	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____				

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOCUMENTATION YOU MUST ATTACH

In accordance with civil service law you must be a citizen of the United States, and of legal age. In addition to these requirements, the local municipal fire and police civil service board in each jurisdiction has adopted its own qualification requirements for each of its competitive classes. Therefore, you must attach the necessary documentation to verify that you meet all the requirements of the civil service board to which you are applying. You must attach a copy of the following documents:

- Proof that you are a citizen of the United States (Original Birth Certificate, Voter's Registration Card, US Passport, or Certificate of Naturalization)
- Proof that you meet the age requirement of the civil service board (Birth Certificate, Driver's License, Selective Service Card)
- Proof that you meet the education requirement as posted by the civil service board to be admitted to the exam
- Proof that you have a valid driver's license (if this is a requirement of the civil service board to be admitted to the exam)
- Proof that you meet all other requirements as posted by the civil service board to be admitted to the exam

AUTHORITY FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I HAVE COMPLETED THIS APPLICATION WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING THAT ANY OR ALL ITEMS CONTAINED HEREIN MAY BE SUBJECT TO INVESTIGATION PRESCRIBED BY LAW, AND I CONSENT TO THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING MY CAPACITY AND FITNESS BY EMPLOYERS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS AND AGENCIES, TO DULY ACCREDITED INVESTIGATORS, CIVIL SERVICE BOARD MEMBERS AND OTHER AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR THAT PURPOSE.

I CERTIFY THAT THE ANSWERS I HAVE GIVEN TO ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS APPLICATION ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I KNOW THAT ANY MISREPRESENTATION HEREIN MAY CAUSE MY APPLICATION TO BE REJECTED, MY NAME REMOVED FROM THE ELIGIBLE LIST AND/OR MAY SUBJECT ME TO DISMISSAL FROM EMPLOYMENT.

DATE	SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT
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FOR USE OF CIVIL SERVICE BOARD ONLY: VERIFICATION THAT APPLICANT MEETS THE BOARD'S REQUIREMENTS

<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Citizen	<input type="checkbox"/> Age	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's License (if a requirement)	<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Pref.
1. Chairman	2. Vice chairman	3.	4.	5.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS, HAVE YOU BEEN TERMINATED, OR RESIGNED IN LIEU OF TERMINATION, FROM ANY POSITION FOR REASONS OTHER THAN A REDUCTION IN FORCE?

YES NO

2. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY?

YES NO

3. HAVE YOU BEEN CONVICTED OF A MISDEMEANOR DURING THE LAST 3 YEARS?

YES NO

NOTE: IF YOU ANSWERED "YES" TO EITHER OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION IN THE EXPLANATION BLOCK BELOW. A CONVICTION WILL NOT NECESSARILY DISQUALIFY YOU FROM THE JOB FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING. A CONVICTION WILL BE JUDGED ON ITS OWN MERITS WITH RESPECT TO TIME, CIRCUMSTANCES, AND SERIOUSNESS.

EXPLANATION. PLEASE USE THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW TO EXPLAIN ANY "YES" ANSWERS TO THE ABOVE THREE QUESTIONS. ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY.

TRAINING/EDUCATION

A. HIGH SCHOOL

DIPLOMA OR EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATE

DATE RECEIVED: _____

NAME AND ADDRESS OF HIGH SCHOOL ISSUING DIPLOMA OR OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ISSUING GED OR EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATE:

B. COLLEGE

YEARS ATTENDED	CREDIT HOURS EARNED	DEGREE(S) RECEIVED	DATE OF DEGREE	MAJOR

C. OTHER FORMAL TRAINING (BUSINESS, TRADE, MILITARY, ETC., CLASSES OR SEMINARS) TITLE OF INSTRUCTION OR CLASS (ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY)	LOCATION	DATES ATTENDED	DID YOU GRADUATE?	NO. OF HOURS PER WEEK
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	

SPECIAL QUALIFYING EXPERIENCE, CERTIFICATIONS, OR LICENSES

PLEASE LIST BELOW ANY PROFESSIONAL LICENSES OR CERTIFICATIONS THAT ARE RELEVANT TO THE JOB FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING.

(ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY)	NO. 1	NO. 2	NO. 3
NAME OF LICENSE OR TYPE OF CERTIFICATION			
NAME AND COMPLETE ADDRESS OF AGENCY OR INSTITUTION ISSUING LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION			
DATE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION ACQUIRED			
EXPIRATION DATE, IF APPLICABLE			
RESTRICTIONS, IF APPLICABLE			

LIST ANY SPECIAL COURSE WORK, TRAINING, OR EXPERIENCE WHICH MAY BE BENEFICIAL IN THE JOB FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING, OR WHICH MAY SATISFY ANY SPECIAL QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

IF YOU HAVE COMPUTER EXPERIENCE, PLEASE LIST ANY COMPUTER PROGRAMS (SOFTWARE) WITH WHICH YOU HAVE A WORKING KNOWLEDGE:

TYPING ABILITY: _____ WPM

VETERAN'S PREFERENCE

Five-point veteran's preference is granted to veterans who receive passing scores for an entrance class and who were discharged under honorable conditions from active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces during a war, or in a peacetime campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge has been authorized, including the following wartime periods: 06/27/50 - 01/31/55 (Korean Conflict); during the period of more than 180 consecutive days, any part of which occurred between 01/31/55 and 10/15/76 (including the Vietnam era), not including active duty for training in Reserves or National Guard; and from 08/02/90 - 01/02/92 (Gulf War). If your service began after October 15, 1976, you must have received a Campaign Badge, or Expeditionary Medal. Campaigns or expeditions for which such medals have been authorized include El Salvador, Lebanon, Granada, Panama, Southwest Asia, Somalia, Haiti, Kosovo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Medal holders and Gulf War veterans who originally enlisted after September 7, 1980, (or began active duty on or after October 14, 1982, and have not previously completed 24 months of continuous active duty) must have served continuously for 24 months or the full period called or ordered to active duty. Note: If your DD-214 does not provide proof of entitlement for preference, you must obtain an amended DD-214 or other written documentation showing award of Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. Should you wish to receive the veteran's preference points, check the space provided and attach a copy of your DD-214 which verifies your qualification to receive preference.

- I QUALIFY FOR THE FIVE-POINT VETERAN'S PREFERENCE AS IDENTIFIED ABOVE, AND HAVE ATTACHED A COPY OF MY DD-214 OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION TO THIS APPLICATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES

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			TITLE OF YOUR POSITION								
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MO.	DAY	YR.									
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NAME AND TITLE OF IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR		NUMBER/TITLE(S) OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISED									

DESCRIBE YOUR DUTIES IN DETAIL (USE SEPARATE SHEET, IF NECESSARY)

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