

# INSTRUCTIONS

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**APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT**  
 City Of Decatur  
 P O Box 1984, Decatur, AL 35602  
 employment@decatur-al.gov  
 www.decaturalabamausa.com  
 An Equal Opportunity Employer

Date of Application	Position Applied For <b>POLICE OFFICER</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you are currently a certified police officer applying as a lateral transfer <i>Candidates for Police Officer should review attached requirements</i>	HR DEPT USE ONLY	Accepted	Rejected
How did you hear about this job posting? <i>Please be specific.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper _____ <input type="checkbox"/> City Employee _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Job Board _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Citizenship		
Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial _____ Social Security Number _____		Education		
Present Mailing/Street Address _____ Permanent Address (if different) _____		Experience		
City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	Residency		
Home Telephone No. (Area Code) Number _____	Cell Phone No. (Area Code) Number _____	Other		
E-mail Address: _____				
Previous Addresses for past (5) years: _____				

**PLEASE DOWNLOAD, PRINT, SIGN AND RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM TO**

Human Resources Department

Mail: P. O. Box 1984, Decatur, AL 35602

In person: City Hall Tower-2nd Floor, 402 Lee Street, NE, Decatur, AL 35602

Email: Downloaded, completed & signed form to employment@decatur-al.gov



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# APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

It is the policy of the City of Decatur to provide employment, training, compensation, promotion and other conditions of employment based on qualifications, without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital or veteran status, the presence of non-job related disability or any other legally protected status. **Please carefully read and answer all questions. Failure to fully and legibly complete all information on this application could result in disqualification from further consideration. Attaching a résumé is encouraged, however, does not preclude this requirement.**

<b>Job ID #:</b> <b>STANDING APPLICATION</b>	<b>Position Applied For: FIREFIGHTER</b> <small><i>Check here if you are currently a certified firefighter applying as a lateral transfer. Please submit copies of certifications with application. Candidates for Firefighter should review attached requirements</i></small>	<b>HR DEPT USE ONLY</b>	<b>DMR</b>	<b>DNMR</b>
<b>How did you hear about this job posting?</b> <i>Please be specific.</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> Radio/Media _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Job Board _____ <input type="checkbox"/> City Employee _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
Last Name:		First Name:		Middle Initial
Present Mailing/Street Address		Permanent Mailing Address (if different)		
City	County	State	Zip Code	City
Home Telephone No. (Area Code) Number		Cell Phone No. (Area Code) Number		E-mail Address:
Previous Addresses for past (5) years:				
Are you 18 years of age or older? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
Have you ever been convicted of a felony? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
If yes, explain _____				
Are you a US Citizen? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
If no, are you legally authorized to work in the US and can you comply with the following requirement*? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				
<small>*To comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, if you are hired you will be required to provide documents to establish your identity and your authorization to be employed in the United States. Such documents will be required within the first three (3) business days following your hire; or upon your first day of work if your employment period will be less than three (3) days.</small>				
Do you have a current commercial driver's license (CDL)?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes* <input type="checkbox"/> No *If yes, please attach a copy		Do you have a valid driver's license? State _____ License No.: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you ever worked for the City of Decatur or other Alabama government entity? Yes No		If yes, when:		Have you ever been disciplined or discharged for making threats or any incident involving violence? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Position: Department:		If yes, reason for leaving:		Have you ever been disciplined, discharged for forced to resign for any other reason? If yes, please explain: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Do you have relatives employed with the city of Decatur? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		If yes, please provide name and relationship:		
Have you applied for employment with the City of Decatur before? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		If yes, when:		What is your salary expectation?
High School Name / Address		City		County
State		Zip Code		
Graduated <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Type of Diploma, Degree, Certificate or Equivalency Diploma		
Secondary School Name / Address		City		County
State		Zip Code		
Type of School (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational Schools, Technical Institutes, Community, Military Schools, and junior colleges		<input type="checkbox"/> All Other Colleges/Universities		Major Field of Study
Graduated <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Degree/Certificate Type (if no, total credits)		Academic Standing (Overall GPA out of possible total (e.g. 3.2/4.0) or average grade (e.g. B+ or 85%):
Secondary School Name / Address		City		County
State		Zip Code		
Major Field of Study:		Graduated: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Degree/Certificate Type (if no, total credits)
Type of School (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational Schools, Technical Institutes, Community, Military Schools, and junior colleges		<input type="checkbox"/> All Other Colleges/Universities		Academic Standing (Overall GPA out of possible total (e.g. 3.2/4.0) or average grade (e.g. B+ or 85%):
List other relevant technical education, training, computer skills or experience you would like City of Decatur to consider relevant to your job qualifications:				
List academic honors, scholarships, fellowships; memberships in academic honorary societies; participation in/offices held in job related activities.				

PERSONAL DATA

EDUCATION & TRAINING

**Please list all employment for the past ten (10) years with most recent employment first; be sure to include complete mailing address. For additional work history or other experience, skills or qualifications, please attach using separate piece of paper.**

EMPLOYMENT RECORD

Employer:				LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT	
Address:				FROM:mm/yyyy	TO: mm/yyyy
Telephone		Position			
Supervisor		Supervisor's Position		Hours Per Week:	

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

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May We Contact Your Current Employer?     YES     NO    REASON FOR LEAVING:

Employer:				LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT	
Address:				FROM:mm/yyyy	TO: mm/yyyy
Telephone		Position			
Supervisor		Supervisor's Position		Hours Per Week:	

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

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May We Contact Your Past Employer?     YES     NO    REASON FOR LEAVING:

Employer:				LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT	
Address:				FROM:mm/yyyy	TO:mm/yyyy
Telephone		Position			
Supervisor		Supervisor's Position		Hours Per Week:	

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

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May We Contact Your Past Employer?     YES     NO    REASON FOR LEAVING:

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# Applicant Consent and Release Form

<b>Work related references (Do not include relatives)</b>				
REFERENCES	CHECK ONE <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Reference <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Reference ( <i>only if no Work Reference</i> )	NAME	OCCUPATION	
	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)		TELEPHONE	
			EMAIL	
	CHECK ONE <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Reference <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Reference ( <i>only if no Work Reference</i> )	NAME	OCCUPATION	
	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)		TELEPHONE	
			EMAIL	
CHECK ONE <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Reference <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Reference ( <i>only if no Work Reference</i> )	NAME	OCCUPATION		
ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)		TELEPHONE		
		EMAIL		

**CONSENT AND RELEASE - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.**

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application or interview(s) are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand and agree that any false or misleading information or omission of facts given in my application or interview(s) may be justification for refusal to hire or termination of employment.

I hereby agree and consent to taking physical or other examinations when requested to do so by the City of Decatur. I understand that City of Decatur employees or applicants for employment are subject to testing for substance and drug use, including marijuana.

I further understand that an investigative report may be made as to my character and general reputation. I authorize all past employers, schools, persons and organizations including, but not limited to, law enforcement agencies and licensing agencies, having relevant information or knowledge to provide it to The City of Decatur or its duly authorized representative for its use in deciding whether or not to offer me employment and specifically waive any required written notification. I hereby release employers, schools, persons and organizations from all liability in responding to inquiries in connection with my application. Upon written request by me, within a reasonable period of time, the City of Decatur will make available to me the nature and scope of all reports of every type obtained.

I understand that nothing contained in this employment application or in the granting of an examination or an interview is intended to create an employment contract between the City of Decatur and me for either employment or for the providing of a benefit.

An offer of employment with the City of Decatur is contingent on my providing sufficient documentation necessary to establish my identity to work in the United States. I also understand that a job offer is contingent upon successfully passing a drug and alcohol test and criminal background check. Other screenings may be conducted depending on position (i.e. a credit check may be completed for positions holding financial responsibility.). Appropriate notification and paperwork will be provided.

The city's preferred method of communication regarding employment application status is via email notifications. Please indicate your preference regarding receipt of electronic communications by initialing the appropriate statement below:

I consent to receive electronic communications regarding the status of my employment application and have provided a valid email address. I understand the City is not responsible for non-receipt of information or information delayed due to Spam filters.

I do not consent to receive electronic communications regarding the status of my employment application and prefer to receive application notifications via U.S. Mail. I understand the City is not responsible for Postal Service delays or lost mail.

In signing this form, I certify that I understand all the questions and statements in this application.

**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

**Completed employment application, with resume, must be returned to the City of Decatur Human Resources Department located at City Hall Tower, 402 Lee Street NE, Decatur, AL 35602; mailed to P. O. Box 1984, Decatur, AL 35602; or emailed to [employment@decatur-al.gov](mailto:employment@decatur-al.gov).  
The Human Resources Department may be contacted at (256) 341-4890.**

# VOLUNTARY Self-Identification / Equal Employment Opportunity

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and do not discriminate on the basis of ethnicity, color, religion, gender, gender identity, age, national origin, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation or any other classification protected by Federal, State or local law. The information below will be used only in the compilation of data for Equal Opportunity reporting. Completion of this form is VOLUNTARY and in no way affects the decision regarding your application for employment. This form is confidential and will be maintained separately from your application form. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process should contact the Human Resources Department as noted on each vacancy announcement. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation are made by the Human Resources Director and will be made on a case-by-case basis.

VOLUNTARY Applicant Information	
Last Name:	Date:
First Name:	Middle Initial:
Position sought: (List only one.) <b>Firefighter</b>	

Sex: (Please Check One)  Male  Female

**EEO ETHNICITY CATEGORY** (Please check one of the descriptions below corresponding to the ethnic group with which you most identify.)

- American Indian or Alaska Native (Not Hispanic or Latino)** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintain tribal affiliation or community attachment
- Asian (Not Hispanic or Latino)** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian Subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam
- Black or African American (Not Hispanic or Latino)** - A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (Not Hispanic or Latino)** - A person having origins in any of the peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands
- Hispanic or Latino** - A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race
- White (Not Hispanic or Latino)** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa
- Two or More Races** - All persons who identify with more than one of the six races
  - American Indian or Alaska Native**
  - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander**
  - Asian**
  - Hispanic or Latino**
  - Black or African American**
  - White**

**VETERAN STATUS** (Please check if it describes your veteran status.)

Are you a veteran?  Yes  No

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO APPLICANT: PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE AND CONSENT FORM CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. A COPY OF THIS FORM WILL BE PROVIDED AT ANY TIME UPON REQUEST**

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**NOTICE AND CONSENT CONCERNING CONSUMER REPORTS FOR EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS AND EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES**

This form, which you should read carefully, has been provided to you because the City of Decatur may request consumer reports or investigative consumer reports in connection with your application for employment or during the course of your employment with the City of Decatur, if any, for other employment-related purposes.

The City of Decatur recognizes the importance of maintaining a safe workplace with honest, trustworthy, qualified, reliable and non-violent employees who do not present a risk of serious harm to their co-employees or others. For the benefit of all employees and the City, in furthering these interests and enforcing the City's policies, the City may perform applicant background checks and employee investigations. These background checks and investigations may be performed by the City in whole or in part, at the City's discretion.

The City's applicant background checks and employee investigations may also include the use of consumer reporting agencies to gather and report information to the City in the form of consumer or investigative consumer reports regulated by federal law. Such reports, if obtained will be prepared by consumer reporting agencies and may contain information concerning your credit standing or worthiness, credit capacity, character, general reputation, personal characteristics, or mode of living. Federal law defines a "consumer reporting agency" as any person (or entity) which for monetary fees, dues, or on a cooperative nonprofit basis, regularly engages in whole or in part in the practice of assembling or evaluating consumer credit information on consumers for the purpose of furnishing reports to third parties. The City is not a consumer reporting agency.

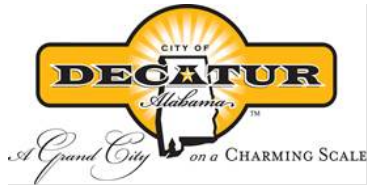
The types of reports that may be requested from consumer reporting agencies under this policy, include, but are not limited to, credit reports, criminal records checks, court records checks, driving records, and/or summaries of educational and employment records and histories. The information contained in these reports may be obtained by a consumer reporting agency from public record sources or through personal interviews with your co-workers, neighbors, friends, associates, current or former employers, or other personal acquaintances. Any information contained in such reports may be taken into consideration in evaluating your suitability for employment, promotion, reassignment or retention as an employee.

If the City requests an investigative consumer report to be performed by a consumer reporting agency, as defined by federal law, you will receive a notice indicating that the report has been requested no later than three days after the request is made to the agency. This additional notice, if issued, will provide you with further information pertaining to federal law governing investigative consumer reports. You will not receive such a notice if the investigation is performed by the City or a person or entity other than a consumer reporting agency.

If any adverse decision is made with regard to your application for employment or subsequent employment with the City, if any, based entirely or in part on the information contained a consumer report or investigative consumer report prepared by a consumer reporting agency, you will be notified and given a copy of the report, as well as a summary of your applicable rights. If you have ever filed for bankruptcy, no employment decision will be based solely on this information.

Your consent is required by law before the City may obtain a consumer report or investigative consumer report from a consumer reporting agency pertaining to your application for employment and thereafter, during the course of your employment, if any, in the City's discretion. Your signature on the enclosed Consent Statement indicates that you have carefully read and understand that the City may request and review consumer reports and investigative consumer reports regarding you, consistent with this policy, both in connection with your application for employment and during the course of your employment, if any, and that you consent to the release of such consumer reports or investigative consumer reports to the City for employment purposes, including any future decisions concerning your, employment, promotion, reassignment or retention as an employee of the City of Decatur. Your signature additionally reflects your understanding that such consent will remain in effect indefinitely until you revoke it (cancel it) in writing.

Limitations on the City's ability to conduct lawful investigations of applicants and employees for purposes of promoting a safe workplace and otherwise maintaining an honest, trustworthy, qualified, reliable, and non-violent workforce, are not acceptable. The City of Decatur employees are consequently expected to maintain their consent to the City's potential use of consumer and investigative consumer reports in keeping with this policy and are otherwise expected to cooperate fully with the City's lawful efforts to obtain such information. Refusal to consent to a consumer report or investigative consumer report as required by this notice and the City's policies, or any other attempt to interfere or failure to cooperate with the City's lawful investigation of any applicant or employee, may result in rejection of any application, withdrawal of an offer of employment or discipline, up to and including termination from employment.



Personnel Board

# Employment Application Attachment

## Applicant Consent and Release Statement

### Firefighter

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position Applied For

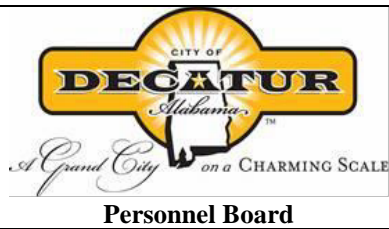
I have carefully read and understand this notice and consent form and, by my signature below, consent to the release of consumer or investigative consumer reports, as defined above, to the City of Decatur in conjunction with my application for employment. I further understand that this consent will apply during the course of my employment with the City of Decatur, should I obtain such employment, and that such consent will remain in effect until revoked in a written document signed by me. In the event that I wish refuse or revoke my consent at any time, I understand that I may do so by sending a signed letter or statement to the City of Decatur, indicating that revoke my consent to the City's obtaining consumer reports or investigative reports about me for employment purposes. I further understand that any and all information contained in my job application or otherwise disclosed to the City of Decatur by me may be utilized for the purpose of obtaining the consumer reports or investigative consumer reports requested by the City of Decatur and confirm that all such information is true and correct. I understand and acknowledge that nothing in this Notice and Consent is intended to be, or is, an offer of employment or a promise of continued employment. If employed by the City of Decatur, my employment will not be for a specified period of time and can be terminated at any time pursuant to the provisions of the Merit System Rules of the City of Decatur.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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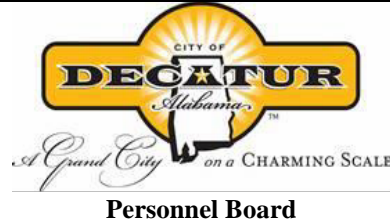
# Employment Application Attachment

## Minimum Qualifications and Requirements for position of Firefighter

Candidates seeking employment as a Firefighter with the City of Decatur should carefully review the following points. This information is provided as clarification and the minimum qualifications and requirements for this position. Candidates may feel free to contact the Human Resources Department at (256) 341-4890 or [employment@decatur-al.gov](mailto:employment@decatur-al.gov) with questions or requests for additional information.

- **Must be at least eighteen (18) years of age at time of employment if selected.** *Valid government issued picture ID confirming name and date of birth will be required to progress through the application process. Candidates are invited to provide evidence in advance with their application.*
- Must possess a **High School Diploma** or **GED Certificate.**
- **Be Advised!!** We may begin a background investigation upon receipt of your employment application.
- The employment application must contain **complete address, phone and email (if available) information for all former employers, personal references and employment references.** **Incomplete employment applications may be disqualified.**
- Attached to your application are a Consent Form and a Notice and Consent Concerning Consumer Reports for Employment Applications and Employment Purposes. Please be sure to read the enclosed notice, retain it for your records and **return the completed Consent Form along with your completed employment application.**
- The City of Decatur's employment registers for Firefighter positions are established for six (6) months. Candidate applications are considered active for a period of one (1) year. Only candidates with an active employment application will be contacted during that registry period and employment process. Candidates wishing to retain an active applicant status after the one (1) year period should submit a new employment application.
- Be advised that the successful completion of the above listed requirements is the first step in the qualifying process for this position
- **Please take a few moments to review the information prior to turning in your employment application and consent forms to ensure that all required information is included. Incomplete or inaccurate employment application documents could result in disqualification of the candidate.**





# Employment Application Attachment

## Physical Agility Testing Requirements for Firefighter

Following submission of a completed employment application, applicants for positions with the City of Decatur Fire & Rescue Department will be required to pass a physical agility/ability (PAT) examination as part of the employment application process. **Candidates will receive a written notification of the scheduled date, time and location of the PAT examination.**

Job Task # 1	Climbing Aerial Ladder -Climb aerial ladder to top of the four story training tower. Task is NOT timed.
Job Task # 2	Hose Hoist – Hoist a section of 2½ inch fire hose to the top of the four story training tower. Time limit for task is 1 minute 10 seconds.
Job Task # 3	Advancing Charged Hose Line- Advance a charged 1 ½ inch fire hose a distance of 100 feet. Time limit for task is 45 seconds.
Job Task #4	Hose Roll-Roll a 50 foot section of 2 and ½ inch fire hose and place the completed roll in a designated area. Time limit for task is 1 minute.
Job Task #5	Dummy Drag-Drag a training dummy (approximately 165 lbs.) a distance of 20 feet. Time limit for task is 25 seconds.
Job Task #6	Chop With Axe-Make a total of 40 chops with an axe to simulate the act of ventilating a roof. Time limit for task is 1 minute 30 seconds.
Job Task #7	Ladder Hoist – Hoist an extension ladder from the ground into a second story window, place the ladder in the correct climbing position and lower the ladder back to the original position. Time limit for task is 1 minute 5 seconds.
Job Task #8	Tower Climb -With a 50 foot section of 2 ½ inch fire hose on the shoulder, climb three flights of stairs, descend the stairs and place the hose in the original position. Time limit for task is 1 minute 40 seconds.

*\*Note: The time limit to complete all tasks is 10 minutes 30 seconds. All tasks shall be completed wearing firefighter turn-out coat, firefighter helmet, and air pack (SCBA) however you will NOT be on air.*

The Physical Agility/Ability course simulates any number of job-related activities required of an individual filling the role of Firefighter.