

City of Florala

Police Officer Full Time Position Job Description

Report to: Police Chief and Assistant Chief

Job Summary

- Schedules and duties are assigned by the Police Chief and/or Assistant Chief;
- Performs general duty police work involving protection of life and property;
- Responsible for the prevention and detection of crime, apprehension of criminals, and the general enforcement of laws and ordinances in an assigned designated area or an assigned shift;
- Work is performed in accordance with federal, state and local laws as well as City and Police Department rules, regulations, and established procedures; and
- Exercises independent discretion in meeting emergencies.

Police officers normally work 42.5 hours in a work week and earn an hourly wage.

Working Conditions:

- Indoor/Outdoor work environment;
- Seasonal heat and cold, temperature changes and adverse weather conditions;
- Exposure to fumes, dust, odors, etc.;
- Evening or variable hours and emergency call-out; and
- Shift work to include holidays.

Physical Abilities:

- Hearing, speaking or otherwise communicating to exchange information in person or on the phone.
- Lifting/carrying moderately heavy to heavy objects;
- Performing duties requiring physical endurance in running, climbing and lifting;
- Physical agility and stamina;
- Operating various police equipment and tools;
- Bending at waist, stooping, kneeling or crouching, reaching overhead, above the shoulders and horizontally, crawling, turning and twisting or otherwise positioning oneself to accomplish tasks;
- Walking or otherwise moving over rough or uneven surfaces;
- Ascending/descending stairs;

- Sitting in a patrol vehicle for extended periods of time;
- Driving a police vehicle safely and satisfactorily in both emergency and non-emergency situations;
- Entering or exiting a patrol vehicle rapidly in an emergency situation;
- Moving with sufficient agility to perform all police officer functions: taking cover quickly, pursuing; tackling and controlling a fleeing suspect, etc.;
- Physically controlling persons including those resisting arrest using appropriate and necessary force; and
- Using and caring for department approved firearms in the safe and appropriate manner required by department regulations.

Hazards:

- May be exposed to possible fights and confrontations;
- Contact with dissatisfied or abusive individuals;
- Traffic hazards and driving a vehicle during adverse weather conditions;
- Exposure to explosives, chemical and fires; and
- Contact with blood, body fluids and exposure to communicable diseases.

Qualifications:

- High School Diploma or GED;
- Possess valid Alabama State Driver License;
- Possess valid certification by the Alabama Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission preferred;
- Successfully pass background check; and
- Successfully pass drug test.

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