



Fire Department

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To the Honorable  
The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners  
200 East Wells Street, Room 706  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dear Commissioners:

I have previously informed you that Fire Equipment Repairer II Wayne Beckner retired on April 8, 2010. His job description has since been rewritten to include duties from a bureau position lost in the 2010 budget, a Fire Equipment Repairer I, who assisted the Compressed Air Technician. These duties, which include inspection, filling, and repairing of compressed gas cylinders, filling oxygen cylinders, and assisting with maintenance and service of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), are crucial to department operations.

I ask that this request be referred to the Department of Employee Relations for study. A copy of the job description is attached. Please contact Deputy Chief Steven Gleisner directly at 286-8975 with any questions. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

  
MARK ROHLFING  
Chief

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# JOB DESCRIPTION

## FOR DER USE ONLY

Vacancy No. _____	
City Service Commission: _____	Finance Committee: _____
Fire & Police Commission: _____	Common Council: _____

**Instructions:** Complete all sections except No. 11. Refer to the "Guidelines for Preparing Job Descriptions" for instructions on completing specific items.

<b>1. Date Prepared/ Revised:</b> 6/2/10	<b>2. Present Incumbent:</b> Vacant	<b>Is incumbent underfilling position?</b> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
<b>3. Date Filled:</b>	<b>4. Previous Incumbent:</b> Wayne Beckner	If YES, indicate underfill title in box 10.			
<b>5. Department:</b> Fire Department		<b>Bureau:</b> Construction and Maintenance <b>Division:</b>	<b>Unit:</b> 2 <b>Section:</b>		
<b>6. Work Location:</b> 118 W. Virginia St.		<b>Telephone:</b> 286-8976 <b>Email:</b>	<b>Work Schedule:</b> Hours: 7:30am - 4pm / Days: M-F		
<b>7. Represented by a Union? YES</b>	<b>8. Bargaining Unit:</b> Local 510, Mach. Fire Equip Rep If in District Council 48, chose a Local: None		<b>9. FLSA Status:</b> NON-EXEMPT		
<b>10.</b>	<b>Official Title:</b> FIRE EQUIPMENT REPAIRER II		<b>Pay Range</b> 732	<b>Job Code</b> 827	<b>EEO Code</b> 702
	<b>Underfill Title (if applicable):</b>				
	<b>Requested Title (if applicable):</b>				
	<b>Recommended Title (DER Use Only):</b>		Approved by: _____ Date: _____		

### 11. BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

Primary duty of the FERII (Upholsterer) is to design, fabricate, alter, and repair specialty fabric items uniquely inherent to the fire service. Secondary duties include maintenance and filling of compressed air and oxygen cylinders, working with liquefied oxygen systems, and the fabrication/alteration of equipment cases.

### 12. DESCRIPTION OF JOB (Check if description applies to **Official Title** or **Underfill Title** ):

#### A. ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS/Duties and Responsibilities: (Refer to the "Guidelines for Preparing Job Descriptions" for instructions on determining Essential Functions.)

% of Time	ESSENTIAL FUNCTION
45%	• Designs, fabricates, alters, and repairs specialty items made of leather, nylon, canvas, and vinyl, including but not limited to, hose covers, weather protective covers, seat covers, chair cushions, safety straps, harnesses, bags, and pouches using methods of sewing, adhesives, and mechanical fastening.
15%	• Repairs frames and mechanisms for chairs.
10%	• Inspects, fills, and repairs compressed gas cylinders. Inspects and repairs valves of different types and functions, including oxygen and compressed air. Monitors hydrostatic test dates.
10%	• Assists with maintenance and service of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).
5%	• Fills oxygen cylinders using liquefied system.
5%	• Issues and repairs first aid boxes and portable oxygen cases. Modifies and designs equipment to meet special needs of the department.

#### B. PERIPHERAL DUTIES:

% of Time	PERIPHERAL DUTY
5%	• Assists Fire Equipment Compressed Air Technician.
5%	• Assists with other duties as may be assigned by supervisor.

**C. NAME AND TITLE OF IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR:**

Fire Equipment Repairs Manager

**D. SUPERVISION RECEIVED:** (Describe the extent to which work assignments and methods are outlined, reviewed, and approved by this position’s supervisor.)

Limited, based on the assignment of work. Majority of work done independently.

**E. SUPERVISION EXERCISED:**

Total number of employees for whom responsible, either directly or indirectly = 0.

**Direct Supervision:** List the number and titles of personnel directly supervised. Specify the kind and extent of supervision exercised by indicating one or more of the following:

a. Assign duties		e. Sign or approve work	
b. Outline methods		f. Make hiring recommendations	
c. Direct work in progress		g. Prepare performance appraisals	
d. Check or inspect completed work		h. Take disciplinary action or effectively recommend such	
<b>Number Supervised</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Extent of Supervision Exercised</b> (Select those that apply from list above, a - h)	

**F. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:** (Indicate the MINIMUM qualifications required to enter the job.)

i. Education and Experience:

High school graduate or equivalent. Experience in sewing and pattern work is desirable.

ii. Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Must be able to interpret orders verbally or via written requisition format, working reliably and independently. Must be able to make original patterns and templates, interpreting sketches and drawings with creativity and resourcefulness. Must possess the ability to silkscreen, working with caustic materials involved in this and other processes. Must have knowledge/experience to repair and adjust specialized equipment related to craft, such as an industrial sewing machine and leather sizing machine.

Must possess mechanical aptitude and be capable of certification to repair SCBA equipment within six months of employment and SCUBA dive equipment within one year of employment. Must be able to work with high pressure air and oxygen equipment and low pressure, low temperature liquefied oxygen fill equipment.

iii. Certifications, Licenses, Registrations:

Must possess and retain a valid Wisconsin drivers’ license.

iv. Other Requirements:

Responsible for providing personal basic hand tools.

**13. PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEMANDS: TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED**

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1993 requires job descriptions to provide detailed information regarding the physical demands required to perform the essential functions of a job; the conditions under which the job is performed; and the tools and equipment the employee will be required to use on the job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals to perform the essential duties and responsibilities of the job for each of the categories listed below.

**G. PHYSICAL ACTIVITY OF THE POSITION:** (List the physical activities that are representative of those that must be met to successfully perform the essential functions of the job).

**CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Climbing:</b> Ascending or descending ladders, stairs, scaffolding, ramps, poles, and the like; using feet and legs and/or hands and arms. Body agility is emphasized. Check only if the amount and kind of climbing required exceeds that required for ordinary locomotion.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Balancing:</b> Maintaining body equilibrium to prevent falling when walking, standing or crouching on narrow, slippery or erratically moving surfaces. Check only if the amount and kind of balancing exceeds that needed for ordinary locomotion and maintenance of body equilibrium.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Stooping:</b> Bending body downward and forward by bending spine at the waist. Check only if it occurs to a considerable degree and requires full use of the lower extremities and back muscles.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Kneeling:</b> Bending legs at knee to come to a rest on knee or knees.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Crouching:</b> Bending the body downward and forward by bending leg and spine.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Crawling:</b> Moving about on hands and knees or hands and feet.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Reaching:</b> Extending Hand(s) and arm(s) in any direction.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Standing:</b> Particularly for sustained periods of time.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Walking:</b> Moving about on foot to accomplish tasks, particularly for long distances.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Pushing:</b> Using upper extremities to exert force in order to draw, press against something with steady force in order to thrust forward, downward or outward.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Pulling:</b> Using upper extremities to exert force in order to draw, drag, haul or tug objects in a sustained motion.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Lifting:</b> Raising objects from a lower to a higher position or moving objects horizontally from position-to-position. Check only if it occurs to a considerable degree and requires substantial use of the upper extremities and back muscles.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Fingering:</b> Picking, pinching, typing or otherwise working primarily with fingers rather than with the whole hand or arm, as in handling.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Grasping:</b> Applying pressure to an object with fingers and palm.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Feeling:</b> Perceiving attributes of objects such as size, shape, temperature or texture by touching with the skin, particularly that of the fingertips.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Talking:</b> Expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word. Those activities which demand detailed or important instructions spoken to other workers accurately, loudly or quickly.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Hearing:</b> Perceiving the nature of sounds with no less than a 40 db loss. Ability to receive oral communication and make fine discriminations in sound.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Repetitive Motions:</b> Substantial movements (motions) of the wrist, hands, and/or fingers.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Driving:</b> Minimum standards required by State Law (including license).

**H. PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE POSITION:** (List the physical requirements that are essential functions of the job.)

**CHECK ONE:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Sedentary Work:</b> Exerting up to 10 pounds of force occasionally and/or negligible amount of force frequently or constantly to lift, carry, push, pull or otherwise move objects. Sedentary work involves sitting most of the time. Jobs are sedentary if walking and standing are required only occasionally and all other sedentary criteria are met.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Light Work:</b> Exerting up to 10 pounds of force occasionally and/or negligible amount of force constantly to move objects. If the use of arm and/or leg controls requires exertion of forces greater than that for sedentary work and the worker sits most of the time, the job is rated for Light Work.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Medium Work:</b> Exerting up to 50 pounds of force occasionally and/or up to 20 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 10 pounds of force constantly to move objects.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Heavy Work:</b> Exerting up to 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Very Heavy Work:</b> Exerting in excess of 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or in excess of 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or in excess of 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects.

**I. VISUAL ACUITY REQUIREMENTS:** (List the visual acuity requirements that are essential functions of the job.)

**CHECK ONE:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Operators (Electronic Equipment), Inspection, Close Assembly, Clerical, Administrative:</b> This is a minimum standard for use with those whose job requires work done at close visual range (i.e. preparing and analyzing data and figures, accounting, transcription, computer terminal, extensive reading, visual inspection involving small parts, operation of machines, using measurement devices, assembly or fabrication of parts).
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Machine Operators, Mechanics, Skilled Tradespeople:</b> This is a minimum standard for use with those whose work deals with machines where the seeing job is at or within arm's reach. This also includes mechanics and skilled tradespeople and those who do work of a non-repetitive nature such as carpenters, technicians, service people, plumbers, painters, mechanics, etc. (If the machine operator also inspects, check the "Operators" box.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Mobile Equipment Operators:</b> This is a minimum standard for use with those who operate cars, trucks, forklifts, cranes, and high lift equipment.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other:</b> This is a minimum standard based on the criteria of accuracy and neatness of work for janitors, sweepers, etc.

**J. THE CONDITIONS THE WORKER WILL BE SUBJECT TO IN THIS POSITION:**

List the environmental/working conditions to which the employee may be exposed while performing the essential functions of the job. Include scheduling considerations such as on-call for emergencies, rotating shift, etc. **Approximate Percentage of time performing field work: 0%**

**CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>None:</b> The worker is not substantially exposed to adverse environmental conditions (such as typical office or administrative work).
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to inside environmental conditions:</b> Protection from weather conditions but not necessarily from temperature changes (i.e. warehouses, covered loading docks, garages, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to outside environmental conditions:</b> No effective protection from weather.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to extreme cold:</b> Temperatures below 32 degrees for period of more than one hour.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to extreme heat:</b> Temperatures above 100 degrees for periods of more than one hour.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to noise:</b> There is sufficient noise to cause the worker to shout in order to be heard above the surrounding noise level.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to vibration:</b> Exposure to oscillating movements of the extremities or whole body.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to hazards:</b> Includes a variety of physical conditions, such as proximity to moving mechanical parts, electrical current, working on scaffolding and high places or exposure to chemicals.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to atmospheric conditions:</b> One or more of the following conditions that affect the respiratory system or the skin: Fumes, odors, dust, mists, gases or poor ventilation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is subject to oil:</b> There is air and/or skin exposure to oils and other cutting fluids.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>The worker is required to wear a respirator.</b>

**K. MACHINE, TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, ELECTRONIC DEVICES, SOFTWARE, ETC. USED BY POSITION:**

List equipment needed to successfully perform the essential functions of the job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.)

**CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Camera and photographic equipment	<input type="checkbox"/> Office Equipment (desk, chair, telephone, etc.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cleaning supplies	<input type="checkbox"/> Office supplies (pens, staplers, pencils, etc.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> Packing materials (boxes, shrink wrap, etc.)
<input type="checkbox"/> Data processing equipment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PC equipment (monitor, keyboard, printer, etc.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Handcart	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PC software
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hand tools ( <b>please list</b> ): hammers, wrenches, screwdrivers	
<input type="checkbox"/> Office Machines ( <b>check all that apply</b> ): <input type="checkbox"/> Copier <input type="checkbox"/> Facsimile <input type="checkbox"/> Calculator <input type="checkbox"/> Cash register	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other ( <b>please list</b> ): sewing machinery, leather sizing machine	

- L. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** (Indicate any other information which further explains the importance, difficulty, or uniqueness of the position, such as its scope of responsibility related to finances, equipment, people, information, etc. Also indicate success factors such a personal characteristics that contribute to an individual's ability to perform well in the job, and any other special considerations.)

Position is subject to recall for emergencies at all times.

- M. I believe that the statements made above in describing this job are complete and accurate:**



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*Signature of Department Head or Designated Representative*