



# CITY OF DANBURY

PERSONNEL/CIVIL SERVICE  
155 DEER HILL AVENUE  
DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

**CITY OF DANBURY ANNOUNCES A PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION** (203) 797-4598  
**FOR THE POSITION OF** FAX (203) 796-1611  
**DRILLMASTER**  
**SALARY: \$76,485/annually**

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### LAST DATE FOR FILING APPLICATIONS

Applications must be on file at the Personnel/Civil Service Office, City Hall, 155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810:

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2006, NO EARLIER THAN 8:30 a.m., through**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2006- NO LATER THAN 4:30 P.M.**

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#### RATING PROCEDURES:

Applicants who meet the minimum requirements and other criteria established by the Civil Service Commission will be rated according to their merit and relative fitness to perform the duties of the position.

#### EXAMINATION PROCESS:

The Civil Service Commission will review all applications received. At the discretion of the Civil Service Commission, the number of applicants admitted to the examination process may be limited to those applicants whose background and experience as stated on the application would indicate skills and qualifications of most immediate benefit to the department and the City of Danbury. The examination for this position will consist of the following parts:

<u>PARTS</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>
TECHNICAL ORAL EXAM .....	100%

**Technical Oral Test Date: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 in the Personnel/Civil Service Conference Room, City Hall. Individual appointments will be scheduled beginning at 10:00 AM.**

The following are some general texts that provide useful information. Questions for technical orals are developed by Panelists and will be drawn from their experience and expertise. The suggested reading list offers a starting place to consider for studying, but is not the basis of questions or the source of definitive answers.

- \* IFSTA Training Manuals: Firefighting Essentials
- Fire Service Instructor
- Fire Officer
- Fire Safety

in addition to department policy, procedures and current journals and periodicals on fire service and on training and development.

Passing scores will be determined by the Civil Service Commission based on all reasonable and proper considerations. A candidate who is denied entrance to an examination, or who is notified of a failing grade on any portion of an examination, has the right to a review and/or appeal of that portion of the examination process. All appeals must be made in writing to the Civil Service Commission office within 10 days of the mailing of the notice of results of the examination.

NOTE: AS PER CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS, IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR A PROMOTIONAL EXAM, CANDIDATES MUST HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR PROBATIONARY PERIOD IN THEIR CLASS. APPLICATIONS: Applications may be obtained from the Personnel-Civil Service Department, City Hall, 155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810. EEO/M-F

Date Revised: October 20, 2006

JOB DESCRIPTION ATTACHED



DRILLMASTER  
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GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:

The Drillmaster is a direct representative of the Fire Chief and is responsible for the organization, administration and execution of practical courses of instruction in fire fighting for all line personnel in the department, both paid and volunteer.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Plans and directs training programs for all fire fighting and ambulance personnel.
- Gives instruction in the use of new equipment, modern fire fighting and life-saving techniques.
- Arranges for training sessions, writes training directives.
- Supervises training carried on by all company officers on a prearranged schedule.
- Supervises training and drills in the volunteer fire companies of the City, making himself available on nights and weekends for this purpose.
- Receives, records and compiles reports on all departmental training activities, including daily training reports, company training reports, individual training records, and other related information.
- Gathers and prepares teaching material and established methods of teaching.
- Attends conferences, fire conventions, and other educational meetings to keep abreast of modern fire-fighting methods and related techniques.
- Conducts pre-planning training sessions in factories, public buildings and special and target hazards throughout the City to familiarize fire-fighting personnel with existing conditions which may be encountered.
- Occasionally responds to structure fires and other alarms to observe personnel in the various methods and techniques of fire-fighting/
- Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

Knowledge/Abilities/Skills:

Extensive knowledge of the rules and regulations of the Fire Department, geography of the City, and the location of streets, principle buildings, fire hydrants, and fire alarm boxes. Extensive knowledge of first aid, resuscitation and advance life support principles and practices, and skill in their application. Thorough knowledge of uses and limitations of the various types of apparatus and equipment used by the department. Thorough knowledge of effective methods of planning, training, assigning and directing personnel and equipment for the most efficient use for small as well as large or complex and dangerous fires. Thorough knowledge of recent developments, current literature and sources of information in municipal fire training and fire prevention. Skill in written and oral expression. Ability to plan, supervise and coordinate the work of subordinates and maintain effective working relationships with officials and the general public. Ability to react quickly and calmly in emergencies and to direct the work of subordinates in emergency situations.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

As a condition of continued employment in this classification, the Drillmaster must attend and successfully complete any courses or training programs at times and places

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assigned by the Chief. Not less than five (5) years service in the paid Fire Department of the City of Danbury is required.

Experience and Training:

Considerable fire fighting and fire prevention work including supervisory experience; graduation from a standard high school, preferably supplemented by completion of approved training in Fire Department administration, operation, inspection and prevention. Considerable supervisory experience in fire fighting work includes experience in an instructive capacity. Courses in all fire fighting tactics, nuclear theory, radiation, and monitoring fundamentals. Participation in special courses such as so called, "Fire College" courses for officers; and Fire Officers conferences sponsored by the State Department of Education, or similar agencies.

Supervision Received:

Work is performed under the direct supervision of the Fire Chief, who assigns, review and approves all training procedures prior to their implementation.

Supervision Exercised:

The Drillmaster supervises all fire fighting personnel assigned by the Chief or Deputy Chief for purposes of training.

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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

APPLICATION FOR PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION

Position applying for: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last* *First* *Middle Initial*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street* *City* *State* *Zip*

Telephone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Present Position Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Your official Date of Hire: \_\_\_\_\_

Duties of present position: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe any previous experience you believe is directly related to the promotional position you seek: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe any previous education and/or training you believe is directly related to the promotional position you seek: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature

Date