



DECATUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

206 S. 7th St.
DECATUR, INDIANA 46733
www.decaturfire.us

Applicant Letter

The City of Decatur appreciates your interest in applying to fill an opening with our Fire Department. The Decatur Fire Department is a professional public safety organization dedicated to providing our services to the community safely and on time. We are team-oriented and committed to minimizing the loss of life and property through emergency service delivery, public education, and community service activities. We are called to serve with integrity, actively participate in our community, strive to support individual and team development, and instill pride in our members. We endeavor to uphold the unique camaraderie and trust that is the fire service and the Decatur Fire Department.

We have openings for Career Firefighter/Engineer.

If you are a member of the 1977 Police and Firefighter Perf fund and are applying as a lateral hire, contact the Fire Chief at 260-724-8909. M – F 7:30 am – 4:00 pm

All career applicants must meet the following requirements set forth by the Local Pension Board and the State of Indiana; The Local Pension Board has set a minimum age of Twenty-one (21) to be considered for hire.

Indiana law forbids the initial hire of a person as a public safety officer if the person is over forty (40) years of age at the time of hire.

IC 36-8-8-7(a) provides as follows:

Section 7. (a) Except as provided in subsections (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (k), (l), and (m):

(1) a police officer; or

(2) a firefighter who is less than forty (40) years of age and who passes the baseline statewide physical and mental examinations required under section 19 of this chapter shall be a member of the 1977 fund and is not a member of the 1925 fund, the 1937 fund, or the 1953 fund.

In addition, IC 36-8-4.7 provides a waiver for a person, not more than forty (40) years and six (6) months of age who has completed twenty (20) years of military service and received or is eligible to receive an honorable discharge.

The Decatur Fire Department will also consider lateral transfers. This means that the applicant must be a member of the 1977 Police and Fire Pension fund to be eligible to transfer.

Fill out and return all the information requested in your packet or downloaded from the website.

Review all contents of the application packet. Sign all documents requiring a signature. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure all forms are signed when returning the packet. Returning unsigned documents could be grounds for your application to be dismissed from further consideration in the application process.

The application period opens on **June 3, 2024, at 8:00 AM and closes on, July 12, 2024, at 6:00 PM – No applications will be distributed in advance or accepted after 6:00 PM on July 12.**

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Sign and return all required documents no later than **Friday, July 12, 2024, 6:00 PM** – In a sealed manila envelope. If mailing a packet to Decatur Fire Department it must be **Postmarked by July 12th**.

The aptitude Test is scheduled for **July 20, 2024, at 8:00 AM**– Doors close for testing at 8:00 AM you will not be allowed to take the test if you are late. The test will be given at the Riverside Center, 231 East Monroe St. Decatur, IN.

**ONLY THOSE APPLICANTS PASSING THE APTITUDE TEST WILL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE THE
AGILITY TEST**

The agility Test has been scheduled for July 20th - Applicants will come to the fire station located at 206 S. 7th. St. Decatur, In. for agility after passing the aptitude test.

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