



Communications Office

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## **Deadline for Morgantown Reserve Firefighter Applications is June 1**

*The Fire Department is looking for “Morgantown’s Bravest” to serve.*

MORGANTOWN – The Morgantown Fire Department is looking for new recruits to add to its tri-annual eligibility list, and is now taking applications.

Currently the Fire Department has one opening, and will be hiring one person from the list of eligible recruits, once it is established. The remaining qualified recruits will be placed on an eligibility list that will be used to fill vacancies for the next three years.

To apply to be on the eligibility list, the applicant is required to:

- Be between the ages of 18 and 35 at the time of the written test
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Have a high school diploma or GED certificate
- Have a valid Drivers’ License
- Apply for performance points as directed by WV State Code 6-13-1
- And pay a \$25 application fee at the time they turn in the application.

After the application is turned in, a general physical by a doctor is required.

Applicants who meet initial requirements must pass a physical agility test. Those who pass are moved on to the written firefighter civil service exam. If the applicant gets a passing score, a personal interview is conducted, and a background investigation made. Anyone who is successful will be placed on the department eligibility list and sorted by score.

If a vacancy opens up, the top three names on the eligibility list are contacted for further testing, including a personal interview with the Interview Board, a more thorough background check, a medical exam, drug test, psychological exam, and, if more than a year has gone by since the initial test, another physical agility test.

The Morgantown Fire Department offers educational opportunities. New firefighters are automatically enrolled in the U.S. Department of Labor Journey Firefighter apprenticeship program and must complete 6,000 hours of training for continued employment with the City. They are also offered the ability to obtain a Bachelor’s degree in Occupational Development and Safety and specialized training in all areas of fire service.

Applications can be picked up in the City Clerk’s Office between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

*If you have questions, please contact City Clerk Linda Little at [llittle@cityofmorgantown.org](mailto:llittle@cityofmorgantown.org) or 304-284-7434*

