



DECATUR FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

Applicant Letter

Thank you for your interest in applying to fill an opening with the Decatur Fire Department. The Decatur Fire Department is a professional public safety organization dedicated to providing our services to the community in a safe and timely manner. We are team-oriented and dedicated 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 all of 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 and Paid-on-call Firefighter. Please indicate on the application what you are applying for. You may apply for both.

If you are a member of the 1977 Police and Firefighter Perf fund and are applying as a lateral hire please contact the Fire Chief at 260-724-8909.

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 thirty-five (35) 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 thirty-six (36) 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 take lateral transfers. This means that the applicant must be a member of the 1977 Police and Fire Pension fund to be eligible to transfer.

The following are the requirements for Paid on Call Firefighters

Minimum age 21.

Must live in our response area.

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

Review all contents of the application packet. Sign all documents requiring a signature; the applicant is responsible to sign all forms when the application packet is returned to the fire station. Returning unsigned documents could be grounds for your application to be dismissed from further consideration in the application process.

The application period opens on **October 7, 2022, at 8:00 AM** and closes on **November 4, 2022, at 5:00 PM** – **No applications will be distributed in advance or accepted after 5:00 PM on November 4.**

Sign and return all required documents by **Friday, November 4, 2022, no later than 5:00 PM** – **In a sealed manila envelope.** If mailing a packet to Decatur Fire Department it must be **Postmarked by November 4th.**

The aptitude Test is scheduled for **November 19, 2022, 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 **November 19th** – 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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