

**SARASOTA MANATEE AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
SARASOTA BRADENTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
SARASOTA, FLORIDA  
JOB OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT**



**FIRE CHIEF**

**STARTING RANGE: \$62,042-\$71,348**  
**SALARY GRADE RANGE: \$62,042-\$93,063**

**POSTING DATE: 12-22-09**  
**CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled**

Under delegated supervision, as a department manager, is responsible for overseeing the FAR Part 139 ARFF services for a small hub airport and to ensure the safe response to aircraft incidents, medical emergencies, and other related fire department responses. All work is to be in accordance with federal, state and local laws, regulations, codes and policies as adopted by the Airport Authority. In addition, the Chief will manage and oversee the Fire Captains.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Associate Degree in Fire Science or related field or the equivalent combination of education and experience based on a year-for-year basis.

Minimum of ten years paid fire fighting experience with five years at the command level.

**LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS\*:**

Valid and current Certificate of Compliance as a State of Florida firefighter or must obtain within 18 months of employment.

Valid Fire Officer I Certification

Valid State of Florida Driver's License with satisfactory driving record or must obtain within 90 days of assuming the position

Ability to satisfy TSA criteria for proper airport security identification

***\*In order to be considered for this position, copies of all required degrees, certifications and licenses must be included with your completed Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority application form.***

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

Bachelor's degree in fire science, aviation or related field, preferred.

Experience in aircraft rescue and fire fighting operations at a FAA certified FAR Part 139 airport, preferred.

Live Fire Burn experience to comply with Far Part 139, preferred.

Valid Fire Officer II and Instructor II, preferred.

Valid Emergency Medical Technician Certification, preferred.

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:**

The candidate must meet the minimum qualifications for employment as a Fire Fighter in the State of Florida as defined in Florida Statutes Section 633.34.



**TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION**  
**PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS LISTED BELOW**

1. **Applicants desiring to be considered for this position must apply directly with the Sarasota-Manatee Airport Authority by visiting our website @[www.srq-airport.com](http://www.srq-airport.com); or, calling 941-359-2770.**

Return your completed SMAA application to the address shown on the signature page of the application form; OR fax it to 941-359-5024.

Only Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority (SMAA) application forms will be accepted. In order to be considered, your application and the required licenses and certifications must be received no later than the posted closing date.

2. Minimum qualifications must be met by the closing date in order to be considered eligible for the position. Resumes may be included as supplements, but will not be accepted in lieu of an application. Applications and resumes are subject to disclosure in accordance with the Florida Sunshine Law.
3. Veterans' Preference documentation, reference names, etc. must be submitted at the time of application.
4. The Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority participates in the E-Verify Program. Federal law requires all employers to verify the identity and employment eligibility of all persons hired to work in the United States.
5. Your application will not be considered unless complete answers are provided to all questions on the application.
6. The Airport Authority's Drug and Tobacco Free Workplace Program requires that applicants take and pass a drug and nicotine test prior to being hired.
7. The candidate will be required to complete and pass a Criminal History Records Check for obtaining an Airport ID.
8. The candidate will be required to successfully complete a Physical Agility Evaluation For Minimum Standards of Fire Fighting. This evaluation will be administered to measure the applicant's physical performance capabilities identified as critical for Fire Fighters.

Select Year:

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## The 2009 Florida Statutes

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INSURANCE

FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

**633.34 Fire Fighters; qualifications for employment.**--Any person applying for employment as a Fire Fighter must:

- (1) Be a high school graduate or the equivalent, as the term may be determined by the division, and at least 18 years of age.
- (2) Neither have been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor directly related to the position of employment sought, nor have pled nolo contendere to any charge of a felony. If an applicant has been convicted of a felony, such applicant must be in compliance with s. [112.011\(2\)\(b\)](#). If an applicant has been convicted of a misdemeanor directly related to the position of employment sought, such applicant shall be excluded from employment for a period of 4 years after expiration of sentence. If the sentence is suspended or adjudication is withheld in a felony charge or in a misdemeanor directly related to the position or employment sought and a period of probation is imposed, the applicant must have been released from probation.
- (3) Submit a fingerprint card to the division with a current processing fee. The fingerprint card will be forwarded to the Department of Law Enforcement and/or the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- (4) Have a good moral character as determined by investigation under procedure established by the division.
- (5) Be in good physical condition as determined by a medical examination given by a physician, surgeon, or physician assistant licensed to practice in the state pursuant to chapter 458; an osteopathic physician, surgeon, or physician assistant licensed to practice in the state pursuant to chapter 459; or an advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed to practice in the state pursuant to chapter 464. Such examination may include, but need not be limited to, provisions of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 1582. A medical examination evidencing good physical condition shall be submitted to the division, on a form as provided by rule, before an individual is eligible for admission into a Fire Fighter training program as defined in s. [633.35](#).
- (6) Be a nonuser of tobacco or tobacco products for at least 1 year immediately preceding application, as evidenced by the sworn affidavit of the applicant.

**History.**--ss. 8, 17, ch. 69-323; s. 1, ch. 70-110; ss. 1, 6, ch. 75-151; s. 1, ch. 77-116; s. 2, ch. 81-205; s. 10, ch. 84-243; s. 3, ch. 88-209; s. 1, ch. 89-89; s. 23, ch. 89-233; s. 7, ch. 91-189; s. 13, ch. 93-276; s. 2, ch. 2005-76.

**Note.**--Former s. 163.490.