



Municipal Employment Screening & Hiring Program MESH PROGRAM 2009-A

SECTION 1: MESH Program Overview

The Municipal Employment Screening & Hiring (MESH) Program is designed to consolidate pre-employment testing procedures often duplicated by Emergency Services Provider (ESP) agencies. Through MESH, participating agencies are readily able to obtain the information necessary to select potential employees.

The MESH Program allows you to test once a year for multiple ESP agencies. MESH also allows you to update your skills status without having to retake the entire test¹.

The MESH Program offers PREPARATORY ORIENTATIONS designed to increase your “comfort level” both during the testing, and throughout your career.

The MESH instructors are carefully selected professionals who are positioned in the emergency services field, dedicated to improving our industry, and anxious to make sure that you reach your goals. Their primary goal is to attempt to improve your chances of gaining employment in this exciting and rewarding field.

Please read **all** of the enclosed information carefully, and follow **all** of the instructions.

We wish you the best of luck!

SECTION 2: MESH Program / Participating Agency Requirements

- 1) You **must** have a valid **DRIVER’S LICENSE**;
- 2) **Participating Agencies require certified firefighters** to possess or obtain a valid **BROWARD COUNTY-WIDE PHYSICAL ABILITY CARD** from the Broward Fire Academy (see SECTION 8 for PAT registration instructions);

SECTION 3: MESH Program 2009-A Written & Practical Test Session Dates

Note: All tests are given at the Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL. You may choose to attend either session date (Friday or Saturday).

- 1) **Firefighter Written Testing** will be offered at **8:45am on Friday 5/29/09, and 8:45am on Saturday 5/30/09.**
- 2) **EMT & Paramedic Written Testing** will be offered at **10:45am on Friday 5/29/09, and 10:45am on Saturday 5/30/09.**
- 3) **EMT & Paramedic Practical Testing** will be offered at **1:00pm on Friday 5/29/09, and at 1:00pm Saturday 5/30/09.**

Note: EMT & Paramedic test sessions may be modified at the Director’s discretion.

PLEASE ARRIVE 45 MINUTES EARLY FOR PRE-TEST SIGN-IN!

¹ See enclosure titled “Skill Status / Personal Information Update Form”



SECTION 4: MESH 2009-A Program Orientations

- 1) The MESH Program includes PREPARATORY ORIENTATIONS covering the following subject matter: **(there is no fee for the orientations)**
 - a) firefighter written tests
 - b) the County-Wide Physical Ability Test (at Broward Fire Academy)
 - c) EMT & Paramedic written test
 - d) EMT & Paramedic practical skills test

We highly recommend that you attend the Orientation!
- 2) **Preparatory Orientations** for the County-Wide Physical Ability Test are offered for certified firefighters at the **Broward Fire Academy, 2600 S.W. 71st Terrace, Davie, FL**. These Orientations include a physical ability test demonstration, and a limited physical ability practice. Please contact the Academy for further information. Their phone number is: **(754) 321-1300**
- 3) **Preparatory Orientations** for the written & practical tests will be offered at the **Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL**, each night from 6:00pm to 10:00pm, beginning Monday 5/4/09, and ending on Tuesday 5/05/09. The Orientations include a program overview, question and answer session, job-related discussions, and offer similar material each night.

SECTION 5: MESH Program 2009-A Written & Practical Test Descriptions & Reference Materials

- 1) The **testing information and reference materials** are as follows:
 - a. **Firefighter Written Test: 100** questions (allotted time 90 minutes)
Reference material: Firefighter: ***Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills, 2004, Jones & Bartlett, ISBN: 0763746282***
 - b. **EMT or Paramedic Written Test: 50** questions (allotted time 60 minutes) Reference material: Emergency Medical Technician: ***DOT EMT Curriculum***; Paramedic: ***DOT EMT Curriculum, Brady Essentials of Paramedic Care 2nd Edition, ACLS Guidelines (2005 Edition)***
 - c. **EMT or Paramedic Practical Test Scenario** (allotted time varies)
Reference material: Emergency Medical Technician: ***DOT EMT Curriculum***; Paramedic: ***DOT EMT Curriculum, Brady Essentials of Paramedic Care 2nd Edition, ACLS Guidelines (2005 Edition)***

SECTION 6: MESH Program 2009-A Test Results

Your results will be mailed to the address on file within 30 days of the release of the MESH 2009-A Master Eligibility List.



SECTION 7: MESH 2009-A Program Registration Instructions

- 1) You **must** submit the completed form titled:
 - a) **INTEREST FORM, and**
 - b) **a photocopy of your current DRIVER'S LICENSE, and**
 - c) **a photocopy of your STATE or NATIONAL FIRE CERTIFICATE**
 - d) **a photocopy of your EMT and/or PARAMEDIC STATE and/or NATIONAL LICENSE* AND CERTIFICATE, and**
 - e) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your EVOC CERTIFICATE**
 - f) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your State/County Fire Inspector certificate and license**
 - g) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your valid BROWARD FIRE ACADEMY COUNTY-WIDE PHYSICAL ABILITY CARD (PAT)**
 - h) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your current, valid CPAT**, and**
 - i) **a CASHIERS CHECK, OFFICIAL BANK CHECK, or MONEY ORDER for \$39 US, made payable to the City of Margate**
PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED;

- 2) Please place these items in a stamped envelope with return address and mail to:

**MESH Program 2009-A Registration
Margate Fire Rescue
600 Rock Island Road
Margate, FL 33063**

- 3) The envelope **must** be postmarked on or before Wednesday, May 20, 2009.

Important Notes: 1) Delivery confirmation should be requested from the USPS, FedEx, or UPS. MESH does not contact you to confirm delivery of the Interest Form. 2) Do not contact or hand deliver registration forms to Margate Fire Administration.

SECTION 8: Broward County-Wide Physical Ability Test (PAT) Registration Instructions

Certified firefighters **must** pass the physical ability test to be eligible for employment consideration. MESH **does not** require the PAT for Program Registration. Please contact the Broward Fire Academy for PAT registration instructions and information on available dates and times. Their contact phone is (754) 321-1300 or online @ www.bfa.edu

Important Notes: Please do not mail Physical Ability registration forms to MESH. *If you do not hold a current EMT or Paramedic State or National license, please register as an EMT or PM trainee and update MESH when you receive your license. **Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) information is used for reporting purposes only. MESH does not accept any other physical ability tests (e.g. Coral Springs Fire Academy) in lieu of the Broward Fire Academy PAT card.



Official Use Only
Payment Received

Municipal Employment Screening & Hiring Program INTEREST FORM

SECTION 1: Personal Information: Please print clearly or type your responses.

LAST NAME: _____
 FIRST NAME: _____
 STREET ADDRESS: _____
 CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____
 PHONE #: (____) _____ - _____
 OTHER PHONE #: (____) _____ - _____
 DRIVERS LIC. #: _____
 DATE OF BIRTH: _____ / _____ / 19____ Last 4 Digits of SS#: _____

Current Certifications: Please initial directly to the LEFT of your **current certification/s**:
 _____ NONE; _____ FF; _____ EMT; _____ PM; _____ FIRE INSPECTOR
BROWARD PAT DATE: ___/___/___; **CPAT DATE:** ___/___/___; **EVOC DATE:** ___/___/___

SECTION 2: Emergency Services Provider Agency (ESP) Selection: Please place a mark directly to the LEFT of the ESP Agency/s that you would like to receive your test results:

<input type="checkbox"/>	ALL AGENCIES (includes additional Agencies joining MESH in the future)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	BSO Fire Rescue	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coconut Creek
<input type="checkbox"/>	Davie	<input type="checkbox"/>	Deerfield Beach
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hallandale Beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hollywood
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighthouse Point	<input type="checkbox"/>	Margate
<input type="checkbox"/>	North Lauderdale	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oakland Park
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pompano Beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

SECTION 3: Written & Practical Test Selection: Please indicate the **test or tests** that you are taking by placing a mark in the adjacent box: (Note: only choose one Medical Regimen)

- (FF) Firefighter Written Test (Required for certified firefighters)**
- (FFT) Firefighter Trainee Written Test (In School or awaiting State certification)**
- (EMT) Emergency Medical Technician Written & Practical (licensed EMT)**
- (EMTT) Emergency Medical Technician Trainee Written & Practical (AED completed)**
- (PM) Paramedic Written & Practical (licensed Paramedic)**
- (PMT) Paramedic Trainee Written & Practical (Cardiology / ACLS completed)**

I certify this information to be true and agree to the release of my personal information and my test results for employment and/or training consideration:

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** ___/___/___



MESH Pre-Mailing Checklist

Prior to mailing your packet, please use this list to guide you through the registration process. Please include **ONLY** the applicable documents listed below and clip them to the Interest Form (no staples).

- ✓ **Read all instructions carefully**
- ✓ **Complete Interest Form as directed**
- ✓ **Sign & date Interest Form**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your Drivers License**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your State Fire Certificate**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your EMT and/or Paramedic License**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your EMT and/or Paramedic Certificate**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your EVOC Certificate**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your Fire Inspector Certificate/s**
- ✓ **Attach a copy of your Broward Fire Academy County-Wide Physical Ability Card (PAT)**

Note: Do not send any other Physical Ability Cards (e.g. Coral Springs Fire Academy)

- ✓ **Attach a copy of your CPAT Certificate**
- ✓ **Enclose payment of \$39US in the form of a cashier's check, official bank check, or a money order. Personal checks will not be accepted.**
- ✓ **Mail your packet on or before May 20, 2009 to this address:**

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Margate Fire Rescue

600 Rock Island Road

Margate, FL 33063