



## **Municipal Employment Screening & Hiring Program** **MESH PROGRAM 2007-B**

### **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 test<sup>1</sup>.

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 2007-B Written & Practical Test Session Dates**

- 1) **Firefighter Written Testing** will be held at the **Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL, at 8:45am on Friday 11/9/07, and 8:45am on Saturday 11/10/07. You may attend either session.**
- 2) **EMT & Paramedic Written Testing** will be held at the **Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL, at 10:45am on Friday 11/9/07, and 10:45am on Saturday 11/10/07. You may attend either session.**
- 3) **EMT & Paramedic Practical Testing** will be held at the **Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL, at 1:00pm on Friday 11/9/07, and at 1:00pm Saturday 11/10/07. You may attend either session.**

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

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



**SECTION 4: MESH 2007-B 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. 71<sup>st</sup> 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 firefighter written test will be offered at the **Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL**, each night from 6:00pm to 7:30pm, beginning Thursday 10/18/07, and ending on Friday 10/19/07. These courtesy Orientations include a MESH Program overview and offer similar material each night. Attend as often as you would like.
- 4) **Preparatory Orientations** for the EMT & Paramedic tests will be offered at the **Public Safety Institute (formerly CJI), 3501 S.W. Davie Road, Davie, FL**, each night from 8:00pm to 10:00pm, beginning Thursday 10/18/07, and ending on Friday 10/19/07. These courtesy Orientations include a MESH Program overview and offer similar material each night. Attend as often as you would like.

**SECTION 5: MESH Program 2007-B 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: ***IFSTA Essentials of Firefighting 4<sup>th</sup> Edition***
  - 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 2007-B Test Results**

Your results will be mailed to the address on file within 30 days of the release of the MESH 2007-B Master Eligibility List.

**SECTION 7: MESH 2007-B Program Registration Instructions**

- 1) You ***must*** submit the completed form titled:
  - a) **INTEREST FORM, and**
  - b) **a clean photocopy of your current DRIVER'S LICENSE, and**
  - c) **a clean photocopy of your FIRE CERTIFICATE, EMT and/or PARAMEDIC license and/or certificate, and**
  - d) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your EVOC Certificate**
  - e) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your State/County Fire Inspector Certificate and License**
  - f) **(if applicable), a clean photocopy of your current, valid BROWARD COUNTY-WIDE PHYSICAL ABILITY CARD and CPAT, and**
  - g) **a CASHIERS CHECK, BANK CHECK, or MONEY ORDER in the amount of \$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 2007-B Registration  
Margate Fire Rescue  
600 Rock Island Road  
Margate, FL 33063**
  
- 3) The envelope ***must*** be postmarked on or before Wednesday, October 31, 2007.

***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](http://www.bfa.edu)

- Notes: 1) Please do not mail Physical Ability registration forms to MESH.  
2) CPAT information is used for reporting purposes only and will not be substituted for the Broward PAT card.***