Empco Firefighter Written Examination

Fire departments in southeast Michigan and Regional Training Academies have begun a cooperative program to test candidates interested in becoming firefighters.

Two types of tests are required:

A Written Test
- The written test, generally called a reading and writing test, examines a candidate’s ability to learn and successfully perform the job of a firefighter.

A Physical Ability Test
- The physical ability test examines whether a candidate possesses the physical attributes required to be a firefighter.

Candidates for entry-level firefighter positions must complete these tests given at Regional Training Academies. Once completed with a passing grade, you are eligible to be considered for hire in any interested, participating department.

There may be additional tests in the hiring process administered by the interested departments. These additional tests include, but are not limited to: oral interviews, background investigations, drug tests, and psychological and physical examinations.

There is a non-refundable fee of $75.00 to take an examination paid by the candidate.

To schedule an appointment to take the entry-level examination:
- After registering, you can schedule an exam. (You only need to register with Empco once.)
- After you have registered, you may return later to update your information, schedule additional tests, and review your test scores.

Your test score, name, address, email address, and a brief profile that you complete will be available to every participating fire department in the state that you select. Therefore, with one process, you can automatically apply to numerous fire departments.

Empco Firefighter Written Examination Dates at
WCCCD – Downriver Campus, 21000 Northline Road, Taylor, MI 48180
All tests begin at 10:00 a.m.

May 20, 2022
June 3, 2022
June 17, 2022

July 1, 2022
July 15, 2022
July 29, 2022