



# WA FIRE CAREERS

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\*\*\*IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT\*\*\*

From the Washington Fire Careers Participating Agencies



Eastside Fire & Rescue



Puget Sound Regional  
Fire Authority



Renton Regional  
Fire Authority



South King  
Fire & Rescue



Tukwila Fire  
Department



Valley Regional  
Fire Authority

## Joint Agency Entry Level Firefighter Testing Through Washington Fire Careers - [Wafirecareers.org](http://Wafirecareers.org)

Washington Fire Careers, (WA Fire Careers), is a collaborative organization comprised of numerous fire departments throughout King County, Washington. Our organization was created with the primary goal of making the entry level firefighter exam more affordable, accessible and inclusive for those looking to start a career in firefighting. All participating WA Fire Careers agencies are partnered through the South King County Fire Training Consortium, (SKCFTC), which serves as a single training division for select fire agencies located in King County. The consortium combines resources and training officers from member agencies in a single training office to provide regionally consistent training to area firefighters. [About \(skcftc.com\)](http://About(skcftc.com))

WA Fire Careers was created using the same business model as the training consortium. By combining resources and efforts our agencies can develop stronger outreach and recruitment resources that promote access, opportunity and inclusion towards careers in the fire service, in the communities we serve. The time and cost of testing and interviewing for entry level firefighter positions with multiple agencies can be a barrier for many. WA Fire Careers has developed a testing model where one low-cost test, taken online, places eligible applicants on a candidate list that will be used by all participating WA Fire Careers agencies for hiring purposes. Interview schedules within all agencies will be conducted collaboratively, to reduce the candidates time needed away from their regular jobs during interview events. The WA Fire Careers website will house information year-round of testing schedules and other resources to assist people seeking a career in the fire service.

All agencies in WA Fire Careers are proud to serve the communities of King County and embrace the values and legacy of its namesake, after Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. All hiring is conducted in accordance with each agency's policies and procedures under the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), the Federal Title VII Civil Rights Act and Washington State laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, creed, ethnic background, national origin, ancestry, religion, age, marital status, sexual orientation and/or gender identity, pregnancy, disabilities which can be reasonably accommodated, veteran status, and all other statuses protected by state, local and federal laws against discrimination.

We invite you to tour the new WA Fire Careers website to learn more about the joint entry level firefighter testing process and sign up for the test TODAY! Or pass this announcement along to anyone you think would be interested in testing for a firefighter position with any or all of the WA Fire Careers agencies.

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