

Ministry of Forests Multiple Locations in BC

Fire Crew Member, BC Wildfire Service \$24.9954 - \$28.1603 hourly

The BC Wildfire Service [BCWS] is a unique program of government tasked with the responsibility of preventing and managing wildfire on the landscape. With a workforce of approximately 1,600, the program's staff are dedicated to undertaking the BCWS mandate in delivering effective wildfire management and emergency response support to protect values, while encouraging sustainable, healthy and resilient ecosystems. For more information, visit our site: BC Wildfire Service.

The majority of fire crews begin work in late April or early May and work until the end of August. Some crews remain working into September, or even into October, depending on fire conditions and activity. Our fire crews usually work regular hours during the hottest part of the day, 10:30 to 18:30, when fires are most likely to start. The normal work shift is seven hours per day and 35 hours per week. A fire fighter is guaranteed a 3–6 month work term depending on location of employment and fire activity. When on active fire duty, staff may work longer days and can remain on fire duty for up to 14 days before taking days off. For safety reasons, the actual number of days a fire fighter works on the fire line is limited and followed by days of rest or light duty.

If crews are not on a fire but the fire danger is high, fire fighters may be placed on standby, meaning they must be ready to respond immediately once a fire call comes in. Fire fighters may be placed on standby for extended periods throughout the fire season, including through weekends and after hours.

Qualifications for this role include:

- Secondary school graduation or the equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Valid First Aid Ticket OFA Level 1 with Transportation endorsement* [minimum]:

***OR**, contact information of first aid training provider for verification of enrolment to be completed before the first day of the Boot Camp [April 15, 2023].

Note: First Aid Ticket numbers with expiry dates, or proof of enrolment for the First Aid Ticket requirement, will be verified at the interview stage.

If you do not meet the above first aid requirement, you will not be eligible for employment. This certificate must be valid through to November 2023. See the WorkSafe BC website for acceptable first aid tickets and equivalencies in the BC workplace: https://www.worksafebc.com/en/health-safety/create-manage/first-aid-requirements/certificates-accepted-in-bc

If you hold an out of province certification the Jurisprudence process for equivalency can be found here: Jurisprudence package for other jurisdictions: Obtaining OFA certification in British Columbia | WorkSafeBC

For more information, a complete list of qualifications, and to apply online by January 15, 2023, please go to: https://bcpublicservice.hua.hrsmart.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/94436