

Woodland Campground First Responders Job Description

The purpose of a first responder is to be the first to arrive on the scene to assist victims until a Rescue Squad arrives, so they must be skilled in assessing injuries, caring for immediate wounds, and even assisting in childbirth. First responders are trained in controlling blood loss and securing broken limbs. Some serious accidents may call for a first responder to stabilize an individual who has significant spinal damage. They also have training in patient removal and transportation.

<i>Pros of Becoming a First Responder</i>
Feeling of pride and satisfaction in knowing you have made a tremendous difference in someone's life*
Fire and Rescue departments often have a delayed response time and need trained individuals to start treatment before they arrive
Helping less fortunate people who have had an accident or needs medical assistance
Being part of a team
Gaining experience for future jobs
<i>Cons of Becoming a First Responder</i>
Potentially dangerous work environment (exposure to contagious diseases, traffic accidents, flames and smoke, violent situations)
Irregular work hours that may include nights and weekends
Take away from family time, responding to calls for help and training.
Continuing education is required to maintain certification***
Can be physically strenuous and emotionally stressful

Required Skills

EMS First Responders must be able to cope with a high-stress job that can be fast-paced and emotionally and physically demanding. They often are called on in a moments notice and may need to lift patients and heavy equipment. EMS First Responders need strong communication skills to teach new workers about procedures and the willingness to take direction from superiors.