

Fire Chief Norwich, Vermont

The Town of Norwich, Vermont in the beautiful Connecticut River Valley is seeking applicants for the position of Fire Chief. The Chief's position will be the department's first full-time employee and is appointed by and reports to the Town Manager. The Fire Chief will be working alongside a full-time Police Chief and full-time Public Works Director.

Norwich is a picturesque New England community located across the Connecticut River from Dartmouth College and just two hours north of Boston. Norwich, with Hanover, New Hampshire, is part of the Dresden School District, the nation's first interstate school district, providing an excellent education for grades 7-12.

The Fire Department is a paid-on-call department with 35 active members and a budget of \$336,000. It operates out of one fire station and serves a population of approximately 3,600 spread across 44 square miles. The department operates one rescue/pumper, one pumper, one aerial ladder, one tanker, one mini-pumper/utility and one forestry vehicle.

This is a hands-on position that requires an associate's degree and Fire Officer II, or equivalent, certification and four or more years of progressive supervisory responsibility in fire fighting, fire prevention, training, and EMS and strong communication, interpersonal relations, leadership and supervisory skills. In addition EMT-B, or higher certification is desirable.

Salary range is \$60,000 – \$72,000 dependent upon qualifications with excellent benefits.

Send Cover Letter, Application, Statement of Qualifications, Resume and 3 professional references to Fire Chief Search Committee, P.O. Box 376, Norwich, VT 05055-0376 by May 30, 2008 at 1630. For additional information and a copy of the application, go to <http://norwich.vt.us/> and choose Fire Department.

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