

GAZETTE DATE : 16.12.2024
LAST DATE : 15.01.2025
CATEGORY NO: 472/2024

Applications are invited online only by 'One Time Registration' from qualified candidates for selection to the under mentioned post. Applications must be submitted Online only through the official website of the Kerala Public Service Commission after "ONE TIME REGISTRATION". Candidates who have already registered can apply through their profile.

1. **Name of Department** : **Fire and Rescue Services**
2. **Name of Post** : **Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver)(Trainee)**
Note: Women and Differently abled candidates are not eligible to apply in response to this Notification.
3. **Scale of Pay** : **₹ 27,900-63,700/-**
4. **Number of vacancies** : **Anticipated**

Note:

- (i) The ranked list of candidates published by the Commission in response to this Notification shall cease to be in force after one year from the date of finalization of Rank List. Candidates will be advised from the said list against the vacancies that may be reported and pending before the Commission during the period of the currency of the list.
 - (ii) The name, age limit and qualification of this post has been prescribed as per G.O.(P) No. 99/88/Home dated 17.08.1988, G.O.(P) No. 181 dated 10.02.1965, G.O.(P) No. 243/2014/Home dated 26.11.2014, G.O.(Ms.) No. 185/2019/Home dated 23.11.2019, GO(P) No. 110/90/Home dated 27.07.1990 etc.
5. **Method of appointment** : **Direct Recruitment**
 6. **Age limit** : **18-26**
Only candidates born between 02.01.1998 and 01.01.2006 (both dates included) are eligible to apply for this post.

Other Backward Communities, Scheduled caste converts and SC/ST candidates are eligible for usual age relaxation as provided under sub rule (c) of the Rule 10 of the general rules. Other conditions regarding age relaxation are not applicable to this post.

7. Qualifications:-

- 1) Must have passed Plus Two or its equivalent examination.
Preferential: Diploma in Computer Application

(Link)

EQUIVALENT/ HIGHER QUALIFICATION

Note : (1) KS & SSR Part II Rule 10 (a) (ii) is applicable.

(2) In addition to the qualifications prescribed in the Notification, the qualifications recognized by executive orders or standing orders of Government as equivalent to a qualification specified for a post, in the Special Rules or found acceptable by the Commission in cases where acceptance of equivalent qualifications is provided for in the rules and such of those qualifications which pre-suppose the acquisition of the lower qualification prescribed for the post, shall also be sufficient for the post. The copy of the Government Orders declaring equivalent/ higher qualifications shall be produced as and when required by the Commission.

- 2) Must possess valid current Motor Driving License with endorsement for driving heavy goods vehicle or heavy passenger vehicles with badge.

Note: Candidates shall possess a current valid Driving License throughout all the stages of selection process i.e. as on the last date of application, OMR Test, Practical Test, Physical Efficiency test, Interview etc.

3) Physical Qualifications:

The Candidates must be physically fit and should possess the following minimum physical standards as prescribed below.

	<u>For General Candidates</u>	<u>For SC/ST Candidates</u>
(a) Height (without Footwear)	165 cms	160 cms
(b) Weight	50 kgs	48 kgs
(c) Chest	81 cms	76 cms
(d) Chest Expansion	5 cms	5 cms

4) Visual Standards: (Without Glasses)

Must possess the Visual Standards specified below without glasses.

	<u>Right Eye</u>	<u>Left Eye</u>
(a) Distant Vision	6/6 Snellen	6/6 Snellen
(b) Near Vision	0.5 Snellen	0.5 Snellen
(c) Field of Vision	Full	Full

Note:

- Each eye must have full field of vision.
- Colour Blindness, Squint or any morbid conditions of the eyes or lids of either eye shall be a disqualification for appointment.
- Must be certified by an Ophthalmologist in Government service, to possess the visual standards specified above without glasses. With that candidates should produce a Medical Certificate issued by a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon Gr -II as to the candidate's physique, fitness and capacity for rough outdoor work, in original in the following format as and when called for by the Commission.

FORM OF MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

Part A
Standards of Vision

(To be filled by an Ophthalmologist in Government Service)

1. Is there any defect of vision?

If so, has it been corrected by suitable spectacles so that the distant vision is 6/6 snellen and near vision is 0.5 snellen.

2. Can the applicant readily distinguish the pigmentary colours red and green?

3. Does the applicant suffer from any night blindness?

I have this day, medically examined Sri..... (Name and address) and found that he has no defect of vision which would render him unsuitable for the post of Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver) and his standards of vision are as follows.

Standards of vision

(Eye sight without glasses)

	<u>Right Eye</u>	<u>Left Eye</u>
1) Distant Vision Snellen Snellen
2) Near Vision Snellen Snellen
3) Field of Vision

(Specify whether full or not. Entry 'Normal', 'Good' etc. will be inappropriate here)

- 4) Colour Blindness
- 5) Squint
- 6) Any morbid conditions of the Eyes or lids of either eye

His standards of vision are fit for the post of Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver)

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the applicant Sri..... is the person herein above described and that the attached photograph has a reasonably correct likeness. (The signature of the Ophthalmologist shall be affixed on the photograph leaving the face clear)



Place:

Signature

Date:

Name & Designation of Medical Officer

Office Seal

Note: Details regarding standards of vision should be clearly stated in the Certificate as given above and vague statement such as "Vision Normal/Good/Average" will not be accepted. Specification for each eye should be stated separately against each item. If the specifications are not as indicated above, the officer issuing the Certificate should certify whether the candidate has got better standards of vision or worse standards of vision as the case may be, otherwise the Certificate will not be accepted.

Part B

PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR THE POST OF FIRE AND RESCUE OFFICER (DRIVER)

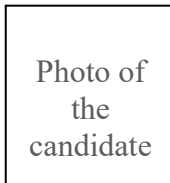
(To be filled up by a Medical Officer not below the rank of an Civil Surgeon Gr.II)

1. What is the applicant's apparent age ?
2. Is the applicant to the best of your judgment, subject to epilepsy, vertigo or any mental ailment likely to affect his efficiency ?
3. Does the applicant suffer from any heart or lungs disorder which might interfere with the performance of his duties as a Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver)?
4. Does the applicant suffer from any degree of deafness, which would prevent him hearing the ordinary sound signals ? Is his hearing perfect ?
5. Has the applicant any deformity or loss of finger, which would interfere with the efficient performance of his duties as a Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver) ?
6. State of Muscles and Joints (No paralysis and all joints with free movements)
7. State of Nervous System (Perfectly normal and free from any infectious diseases)
8. Does he show any evidence of being addicted to the extensive use of alcohol, tobacco or psychotropic substances ?
9. Marks of Identification 1).....
2).....

He is physically fit for the post of Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver)

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that the applicant Sri..... is the person herein above described and that the attached photograph has a reasonably correct likeness.

(The signature of the Medical officer shall be affixed on the photograph leaving the face clear).



Place:
Date:

Signature:
Name :
Designation &
Official Address

(Office Seal)

5) Physical Efficiency Test :-

Candidates must qualify in at least 5 out of 8 items in the National physical efficiency One Star Standard test. (Showing the minimum standards of efficiency as noted below)

Sl. No	Items	Minimum Standards of efficiency
1.	100 Meters run	14 Seconds
2.	High Jump	132.20 cms
3.	Long Jump	457.20 cms
4.	Putting the Shot (7264 gms)	609.60 cms
5.	Throwing the cricket ball	6096 cms
6.	Rope Climbing (only with hands)	365.80 cms
7.	Pull Up or Chinning	8 times
8.	1500 metres race	5 minutes and 44 seconds

Note:-

- (i) The Physical Measurement of the candidates will be taken prior to the Physical Efficiency Test and those who do not possess the prescribed Physical Measurements will not be admitted for the Physical Efficiency Test.
- (ii) If accidents or injuries happen to a candidate while attending in the Physical Efficiency Test, he will not be given further chance to participate in the test.
- (iii) The proficiency in driving will be tested by a practical test conducted by the Commission.

8. Preferential:-

Other conditions being equal, the Home Guard Volunteers who have completed a tenure of three years in that organizations and who have satisfactorily undergone training in Fire Fighting during the period of tenure shall be treated as having preferential qualification for direct recruitment to this post.

9. Probation:-

Every person appointed to the post shall from the date on which he joins duty after he completes the training and examination will be on probation for a period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years.

10. Training:-

- (i) Candidates selected should undergo a course of training for a period of 4 months in the State Fire Service Training School, and pass the examination in the subject prescribed for the course.
- (ii) A written and practical test will be conducted at the close of training. Those who fails to qualify themselves at the test, will have their training extended for a period of one month, at the end of which they shall be tested again in the subjects in which they have failed. Those who fail to qualify themselves in the re-test shall be discharged from the service.

- (iii) Seniority among Recruits, who have qualified in the test conducted by Fire and Rescue Services Academy shall be determined on the basis of effective advice of KPSC and they shall be appointed to service on the basis of seniority list, only after completion of successful training.

11. Bond:-

Person appointed by direct recruitment to the post of Fire and Rescue Officer (Driver) shall execute a bond, binding himself to service in the Department for a period of five years and to pay to Government an amount as prescribed by Government, in case of failure to serve in the Department for the said post.

12. Mode of submitting applications:-

- (A) Candidates shall register as per 'ONE TIME REGISTRATION ' system on the Official Website of Kerala Public Service Commission 'www.keralapsc.gov.in' for applying for the post. Candidates who have registered shall apply by logging on to their profile using their User-ID and password. Candidates shall click on the 'Apply Now' button of the respective posts in the Notification link for applying for a post. The candidate who have created new profile should upload photograph which is taken within six months. Name of the candidate and date of photograph taken should be printed legibly at the bottom portion. The photograph once uploaded meeting all requirements shall be valid for 10 years from the date of uploading. There is no change in other instructions regarding the uploading of photographs. No application fee is required. Candidates are responsible for the correctness of the personal information and secrecy of password. Before applying for a post, candidates must ensure correctness of the information in their profile. They must quote the User- ID for further communication with the Commission. Applications once submitted will be received as provisional and particulars cannot be deleted or altered after submission. **Candidates are advised to keep a printout or soft copy of the online application for future reference. Candidates can take the printout of the application by clicking on the link 'My applications' in their profile. All correspondences with the Commission, regarding the application should be accompanied with the print out of the application.** Applications submitted not in accordance with the conditions of the notification will be summarily rejected if non compliance with the notification is found in due course of processing. Original documents to prove qualification, experience, community, age, etc., have to be produced as and when called for.
- (B) If written/OMR/Online Test is conducted as part of this selection, candidates possessing requisite qualification as per Para 7 above alone shall submit a Confirmation for writing the examination through their One Time Registration profiles. Such candidates alone can generate and download the Admission Tickets in the last 15 days till the date of Test. The application of candidates who do not submit confirmation within the stipulated period, will be rejected absolutely. The periods regarding the submission of confirmation and the availability of admission tickets will be published in the examination calendar itself. Information in this regard will be given to the candidates in their respective profiles and in the mobile phones registered in it.
- (C) The Examination Schedule and the Syllabus will be notified separately.
- (D) The Tentative Schedule of the Physical Efficiency test will be published on 15th January 2025
- (E) Candidates who have AADHAAR card should add AADHAAR card as ID Proof in their profile.

13. Last date for submission of applications: 15.01.2025 Wednesday upto 12 Midnight.

14. Address to which applications are to be submitted: - www.keralapsc.gov.in

15. Special Instructions to candidates:-

- (A) In the case of difference in caste/ community claimed in the application and that entered in SSLC book, the candidate shall produce a Gazette notification in this regard, along with Non Creamy Layer Certificate/ Community Certificate at the time of Certificate Verification.
- (B) Candidates are required to acquaint themselves with the instructions given in the notification as Part-II, General Conditions before submitting application for the post. Applications which are not submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions laid down in the General Conditions are liable to be rejected.

(C) Appropriate disciplinary action as per Rule 22 of the Kerala Public Service Commission Rules of Procedure shall be initiated against those candidates who submit applications with bogus claims of qualification regarding education, experience etc., and are liable to be disqualified for being considered for a particular post or debarment from applying to the Commission either permanently or for any period or the invalidation of their answer scripts or products in a written/ practical test or the initiation of criminal or other proceedings against them or their removal or dismissal from office or the ordering of any other disciplinary action against them if they have already been appointed, or any one or more of the above.

(For details including photo, ID card etc., refer the General Conditions given in Part II of the Gazette Notification)

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