

# FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS' CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

CITY OF HOUSTON

EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR

THE POSITION OF

## CAPTAIN

HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

**SALARY:**

Base pay is based on total years of service beginning with the rank of Firefighter. Years of service: (5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Year) \$2,056.21 bi-weekly, (10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> Year) \$2,127.14 bi-weekly, (17<sup>th</sup> - Year & Over) \$2,242.00 bi-weekly.

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE TEST:**

**All Classified Fire Department Employees who have ever held a continuous position for two (2) years or more in the classification of Engineer/Operator and who have four (4) years actual service in the Houston Fire Department are eligible.** In order to be promoted, applicants must comply with all applicable Chapter 143 of the Tex. Loc. Gov't Code provisions dealing with promotions.

**DUTIES:**

As assigned by the superior officer.

**APPLICATION TO TAKE TEST:**

**ONLY "on-line" applications will be accepted.** To apply for this examination, please log on to: [www.houstonfire.org](http://www.houstonfire.org). Access to the Internet and to computer terminals may be found at The City of Houston Human Resources Department, 611 Walker, the ground level; HFD Classified Recruiting, 500 Jefferson, 15th Floor; or any Public Library. On-line applications must be submitted by 4:30 p.m., Friday, **July 11, 2008.**

All information regarding education points and certification points **must** be turned in to HFD Human Resources before the promotional exam. The **deadline** to turn in your records for a promotional exam is three (3) weeks **prior** to the promotional examination date. Any education or certification points presented at or after the exam, will be used in subsequent promotional exams, and will not be awarded toward the current promotional exam.

**NOTE:**

**DATE AND TIME OF  
EXAMINATION:**

The examination will be given at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 18, 2008, at the George R. Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Exhibit Hall A3.**

**NUMBER OF VACANCIES:**

On the date of this announcement, there are ten (10) vacancies created by retirement, (1) vacancy created by promotion, and (0) vacancies newly created by City Council.

Please note that rankings may be adjusted on this list as officers returning from military service take a comparable examination, and are added to this list. (Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act).

**DATE OF  
ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**June 11, 2008**

**AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER M/F**

**CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

**CITY OF HOUSTON**

**SOURCE MATERIAL LIST FOR**

**2008 PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION**

**CAPTAIN**

**HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The 2008 promotional examination for **CAPTAIN, HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**, will be written from the following sources:

**ENGINE COMPANY FIREGROUND OPERATIONS**, Copyright 2008, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, **OMIT THE FOLLOWING**: Brief Contents; Contents; Chapter Resources; Instructor Resources; Acknowledgements; Contributing Author; Preface; All Figures; All Wrap-Ups; Appendix; Glossary; Index; Photo Credits. By Harold Richman. ISBN 978-0-7637-4495-3. Published by Jones and Bartlett Publishers, 40 Tall Pine Drive, Sudbury, MA 01776 (1-800-832-0034). \$65.95 plus shipping and handling. Rush delivery is available for an extra charge. To get a discount, call 1-800-832-0034, hit prompt #2 for a customer service representative, give source code (HOUSTONFD) and book code (4495-6).

**FIREFIGHTING STRATEGIES AND TACTICS**, Copyright 2008, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, **OMIT THE FOLLOWING**: Contents; Pages ix - xxiii; All Case Studies; All Figures; All Notes; All Summaries; All Review Questions; All Activities; All Tables; Pages 159 - 163; Chapters 17 and 19; Acronyms; Glossary; Index. By James Angle, Michael Gala, David Harlow, William Lombardo, and Craig Maciuba. ISBN 978-1-4180-4893-8. Published by Cengage Learning, 10650 Toebben Dr., Independence, KY 41051 (1-800-347-7707). \$86.95 plus shipping and handling. Rush delivery is available for an extra charge. To get a discount, mention you are a Houston Fire Department member when placing an order.

**FIRE SUPPRESSION PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES**, Copyright 2008, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, **OMIT THE FOLLOWING:** Index; Abbreviations; Bibliography; Glossary; All Figures; All On Scene Scenarios; Preface; About the Author; All Review Questions; All Summaries. By Eugene Mahoney, Tracy Rickman, and Gerald Wallace. ISBN 0-13-151773-2. Published by Pearson/Prentice Hall, 200 Old Tappan Rd. Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458 (1-800-428-5331). \$60.00 plus shipping and handling. Rush delivery is available for an extra charge. To get a discount, go to [www.bradybooks.com](http://www.bradybooks.com).

**LADDER COMPANY FIREGROUND OPERATIONS**, Copyright 2008, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, **OMIT THE FOLLOWING:** Brief Contents; Contents; Chapter Resources; Instructor Resources; Acknowledgements; Contributing Author; Preface; All Figures; All Wrap-Ups; Appendix; Glossary; Index; Photo Credits. By Harold Richman. ISBN 978-0-7637-4496-0. Published by Jones and Bartlett Publishers, 40 Tall Pine Drive, Sudbury, MA 01776 (1-800-832-0034). \$65.95 plus shipping and handling. Rush delivery is available for an extra charge. To get a discount, call 1-800-832-0034, hit prompt #2 for a customer service representative, give source code (HOUSTONFD) and book code (4496-4).

**DATE ANNOUNCED: JUNE 11, 2008**

**FIRE OFFICER PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE**, Copyright 2006, **OMIT THE FOLLOWING:** Brief Contents; Contents; Resource Preview; Resources; Acknowledgments; All Figures; All Wrap-Ups; All You Are The Fire Officer; All You Are The Fire Officer: Conclusions; Appendix A, B and C; Glossary; Bibliography; Index; Photo Credits; Chapter 2. By NFPA/International Association of Fire Chiefs. ISBN 0-7637-2247-2. Published by Jones and Bartlett Publishers, 40 Tall Pine Drive, Sudbury, MA 01776 (1-800-832-0034). \$51.95 plus shipping and handling. Rush delivery is available for an extra charge. To get a discount, call 1-800-832-0034, hit prompt #2 for a customer service representative, give source code (HOUSTONFD) and book code (2247-2).

**PLEASE NOTE: Employees who will be eligible and who are interested in taking the examination should obtain the above books promptly in case a supply shortage should occur later in the year. Only the publishers' prices for the above books are listed. Prices may vary if books are obtained from any other sources. QUESTIONS FOR THIS PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION WILL BE TAKEN SOLELY FROM THE ABOVE MATERIALS. INFORMATION CONTAINED IN ANY OTHER MATERIAL WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING THE CORRECT ANSWER TO ANY QUESTION.**