



Louis Armstrong New Orleans  
International Airport

# AIRCRAFT RESCUE FIRE FIGHTING CHIEF



The New Orleans Aviation Board (NOAB) oversees the operation of the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport and the Downtown Heliport as an unattached board of the City of New Orleans. The nine member board is appointed by the Mayor of New Orleans.

Armstrong International serves over 11 million passengers annually with 15 airlines to 57 non-stop destinations. NOAB has annual revenues of \$115 Million and has a \$1 Billion Capital Improvement Program underway, including the construction of a new 35-gate terminal facility.

Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport is the gateway to one of the top travel destinations in the world – New Orleans. Conveniently located 15 minutes from downtown and the historic French Quarter, Armstrong International is poised for the future as the Airport of the Gulf South providing safe, first class customer service to travelers from around the world.

## General Summary:

Aircraft rescue and firefighting (ARFF) is a special category of firefighting that involves the response, hazard mitigation, evacuation and possible rescue of passengers and crew of an aircraft involved in (typically) an airport ground emergency. This position consists of highly responsible supervisory administrative and technical work directing and coordinating the Airport fire Department and Emergency Medical Services response in accordance with federal, state and local guidelines. Work includes budget planning, purchasing, training, coordination of equipment maintenance and related work as required.

## Responsibilities:

- Maintaining compliance with Part 139 ARFF Response and Training requirements, as well as other applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, guidelines and requirements
- Manages plans, organizes, and directs through supervisors, departmental operations in the functions of fire suppression and prevention; emergency medical services; hazardous materials and rescue response; budgeting, personnel management, program development and implementation; equipment maintenance and use; and policies and procedures development and implementation.
- Works with ARFF personnel to assure that all staff are adequately trained and prepared for emergency response situations; develops and implements a training program for all staff, including funding, training requirements, training records, and scheduling and development of training resources; assures currency of employee certifications.
- Executes the purchasing functions for the department including development and writing of bid specifications for major equipment and ordering supplies.
- Performs the personnel functions of interviewing and selecting, delegating duties and responsibilities, monitoring and evaluating work, and administering disciplinary actions; reviews and approves payroll.

- Prepares reviews and updates plans and emergency manuals for the airport.
- Provides cooperative/supportive interaction with co-workers, supervisors, airport staff, local fire and EMS departments, and other state, local and federal agencies.
- Responsible for EMS Response Training.
- Oversight of Fire Protection Systems for compliance with NFPA in the terminal and other airport facilities.
- Coordinates regular Hydrant Inspections.
- Organizes and conducts yearly table top and tri-annual full scale exercise per FAR Part 139.
- Manages Hazardous Material response.
- Conducts fuel truck inspections as part of (FAR) Part 139.

## **Experience and Traits**

### **Required**

A Bachelor's Degree Fire Protection Technology, Fire Science or a closely related field from an accredited college or university and six (6) years of full time paid experience in the supervision of employees engaged in fire suppression

### **Or:**

An Associate's Degree in Fire Protection Technology, Fire Science or a closely related field from an accredited college or university and eight (8) years of full time paid experience in the supervision of employees engaged in fire suppression

### **And:**

A valid driver's license. Applicants must be eligible for coverage under the airport's auto liability insurance policy

This position requires a one (1) year probationary period.

## **Compensation/Benefits**

- Salary is \$63,960.00 – \$81,999.00 annually.
- Excellent health and life insurance, vacation and sick leave, paid holidays, and retirement benefits.

## **Application Process**

Mail or Email Resume and Cover Letter to:  
 New Orleans Aviation Board  
 ATTN: Renee Brunt, Human Resources Manager  
 P.O. Box 20007  
 New Orleans, LA 70141  
[reeneb@flymsy.com](mailto:reeneb@flymsy.com)

Application deadline: Until Withdrawn

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### Confidentiality Disclaimer

Applicants are hereby notified that applications for public employment in Louisiana are "public records", and are subject to disclosure under La. R.S. 44:1 et seq. and La. Const. Article 12. Section 3. NOAB and TSA regulations for this position require a ten-year personal, criminal and employment background check.