SOUTH WALES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE JOB DESCRIPTION

Department	BA Department, ORM
Post	Breathing Apparatus and Operational Equipment Technician
Post No	NU066
Grade	Grade 8
Location	BA Department, Pontyclun Fire Station
Responsible to	Station Manager, ORM Senior Breathing Apparatus and Operational Equipment Technician
Responsible for	Maintenance and Repair of Breathing Apparatus and other equipment.
Responsibility for Physical Resources	Operational & BA Department Equipment

This job description refers to the main purpose and responsibilities of the post. It does not necessarily list in detail all of the tasks required to carry out these responsibilities. This job description will be reviewed as and when necessary to ensure that it meets the Service's business requirements.

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE POST

Responsible for maintenance and repair of all of the Service's breathing apparatus in accordance with prescribed manufacturer's instructions and Service standards.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Maintain, repair and service the Services breathing apparatus, EASE rescue sets and reducers
- 2. Carry out and maintain the system for the testing and recording of breathing apparatus and other associated equipment
- 3. Responsible for the repair and maintenance of all ancillary equipment in relation to BA's.
- 4. Repair and maintain breathing apparatus including telemetry systems and entry control boards
- 5. Download Bodyguard information and provide the information for investigations or station audits.

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- 6. Order and procure essential parts for maintenance of equipment through the E-procurement system, ensuring stock is maintained.
- 7. Carry out Annual repair/service of respirators and supply respirator cartridges
- 8. Carry out Respirator Face Fit Tests for operational staff.
- 9. Test and repair Gas Alarms
- 10. Carry out testing regime for Gas Tight Suits
- 11. Manage the oxygen re-charge programme
- 12. Liaise with Manufacturers on line or telephone regarding in-house repairs on Thermal Image Cameras
- 13. Test and repair Air Bags High & Low pressure
- 14. Carry out Air purity testing, and liaise with external contractor for repairs.
- 15. Test, maintain and repair Hose Inflation Kits.
- 16. Adjust appliance stowage for new equipment (Breathing apparatus) checked annually
- 17. Be competent in the use of the Pro-Pen computerised engraver to mark Redkite equipment
- 18. Test, maintain and repair Firefighting helmets.
- 19. Maintain and update Redkite, update records, add, remove and edit equipment
- 20. Deputise for Senior Breathing Apparatus Engineer in his/her absence
- 21. Ensure close liaison is maintained with the Senior BA and Operational Equipment Technician to make fully aware of all matters relating to this reference
- 22. To provide technical expertise in investigations to determine the cause of faults/malfunctions in accordance with current RIDDOR regulations
- 23. Attend any specialist training or re-training courses in relation to breathing apparatus and repair of breathing apparatus training
- 24. To produce reports on all aspects of the BA function as and when required including investigations and Pressure Regulations for BA
- 25. Participate as directed in BA training events, seminars and user group meetings
- 26. Act as Service spokesperson in events identified above

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- 27. Maintain the BA Department in a clean and orderly condition
- 28. General administration duties including submitting orders onto the eprocurement system and goods receipting items accordingly.

STANDARD SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

- To attend in-house and external training courses as required.
- Any other duties commensurate with the grade and post
 - To co-operate fully with any scheme or pilot scheme that shall be introduced within the department or across the Service.
- To implement the principles of the Service's Equal Opportunities and Diversity Policies and Welsh Language Schemes whilst carrying out the above duties.
- To adhere to Health & Safety Legislation/Relevant Service Policies and Procedures and to take reasonable care for the health and safety of yourself and other persons who may be adversely affected by your acts/omissions.

ORGANISATIONAL VALUES

In performing the above role, all employees of the Service are required to observe and promote the Service's Core Values to be, at all times:

- Professional
- Caring
- Respectful
- Dedicated
- Trustworthy
- Dynamic
- Disciplined
- Resilient

NB:

This role involves frequent travel between sites throughout the South Wales area.



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