TVF&R CPAT Waiver Request Information

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue is committed to ensuring equity in our hiring processes. Applying to join the fire service should be an opportunity available to everyone, regardless of financial circumstances. We hope that by providing a waiver for the cost of the Candidate Physical Abilities Test (CPAT), we remove a barrier for aspiring firefighters.

The National Testing Network (NTN) collects a $155 fee to take the CPAT exam. NTN partners with client agencies to provide a fee waiver program for applicants who cannot afford the CPAT testing fee. Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue offers a limited number of waivers on a need-based, first-come, first-served basis. Waivers are valid for the regular CPAT and are not eligible for the CPAT Practice Test or FireTEAM written exam.

Your application will remain confidential and will not be shared with your interviewers or anyone making a hiring decision.

Step 1	Submit TVF&R Firefighter or Firefighter Paramedic application at https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/tvfr **Make sure to attach your completed waiver to your application (see Step 2).**	Application period open August 14 – September 14, 2026
Step 2	Submit TVF&R CPAT Request Form (page 2 of this document). Complete form in full, save file to your computer, and upload as an attachment to your job application.	
Step 3	We will process your CPAT request and respond within **5 business days**. If approved, you will receive a waiver number to apply when scheduling your CPAT.	
Step 4	Schedule your CPAT physical examination with the National Testing Network and register to send your score to TVF&R at https://nationaltestingnetwork.com/publicsafetyjobs/cpat_info.cfm	CPAT Scores due September 21, 2026

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Name: _____ Position Applied For: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

This waiver is intended for those experiencing financial hardship and who cannot pay the fee.

Supporting documentation for a waiver is not required at the time of application or test but may be requested at a future date.

Some examples that demonstrate financial hardship include:

- Food stamp card or food stamp benefit letter
- Current unemployment check stub or statement
- Cash assistance benefit letter from a state agency
- Any form from WorkSource or the unemployment office verifying job-related hardship
- Documentation of any means-tested public benefit from a federal, state, or local agency that uses income to determine if you qualify

If applying to multiple agencies, a separate fee waiver request form must be submitted to each agency. Submitting a fee waiver request does not exempt the candidate from meeting testing deadlines.

I, _____, hereby declare that all information filled out on this form, documentation used to verify that I cannot pay the testing fee, and my financial hardship claim is true and accurate. If not, I understand that any possibility of having my testing fee waived will be voided along with any test scores, regardless of where I am in the testing process.

Full Name: _____ Date: _____