

Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department

Candidate Physical Ability Test Orientation Information

Please Read Everything Carefully

Dear Candidate:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Prince George's County firefighter. The next step is the Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT). The CPAT is an extremely demanding test requiring physical and mental discipline.

You will be required to present your driver's license when you sign in at orientation, practice runs, and on the final test day. **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT PROPER IDENTIFICATION.** You must wear long pants, and footwear that are closed at the heel and toe. Watches and loose or restrictive jewelry will not be permitted. All other equipment (hard hat w/ chin strap, gloves) will be provided for you. **YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT PROPER CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR. CELLPHONES ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

As part of the testing process, you are offered two orientation dates and two practice runs before your final test; however, you can waive your opportunity to attend orientation and the two practice runs and just take the CPAT final test. We strongly encourage you to attend all sessions as you'll have three opportunities to pass. If you are successful and pass a practice run, you will be considered as having passed CPAT and your testing process will be complete. If you decide to take the CPAT final only, you will need to submit the CPAT Waiver of Claim for Injury and the Waiver of CPAT Orientation and Practice Runs to PGFD-CPAT@co.pg.md.us prior to your scheduled orientation and practice run date. Once we have received these documents, you will then be scheduled for a CPAT final.

After you complete orientation, you will be assigned to a CPAT group; group assignments with testing dates and times will be sent via email.

CPAT participants must bring a one **NOTARIZED** Authorization for Release of Personal Information to their orientation, or the first practice run (or final test for those who have waived orientation).

Additional information and all forms required for this process can be found at the following site:

<http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/2768/CPAT>

NOTE: WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING CPAT CERTIFICATES FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS. ALL RESULTS ARE EXCLUSIVELY FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY FIRE/EMS HIRING PROCESS.