

**Sec. 16.** No member of the Fire Department shall be eligible to take a promotional examination unless he/she holds a permanent appointment in the classification from which a promotion is sought and, after such appointment, shall have completed the required minimum period of active service. The minimum periods of active service are as follows:

- (1) Engineer or Fireboat Operator, four years combined service as a Fire Fighter and Fire Recruit.
- (2) Fire Captain, six years combined service as a Fire Recruit, Fire Fighter, Engineer, and/or Fireboat Operator. Time served in any of these classifications may be cumulative.
- (3) Battalion Chief, three years as Fire Captain.