

EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I

NATURE AND VARIETY OF WORK

Incumbents of this class are responsible for the safe and efficient operation of light equipment. Incumbents perform manual tasks in connection with road construction, highway maintenance, and/or landfill operations. Some positions transport senior citizens, patients, the general public on authorized shopping trips, to and from work, medical appointments and other designated areas. Assignments are outlined in detail by supervisor and standard procedures are followed. The work is inspected periodically for safe and efficient operation. Incumbents occasionally supervise subordinates.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (ILLUSTRATIVE ONLY)

Operates light equipment such as tow trucks, buses, vans, sedans, station wagons, tractor mowers, and flat bed trucks to haul and deposit a variety of materials, i.e., dirt, sand, gravel, and other items to specific locations.

Operates dump truck (single axle), crew cab dump truck (single axle), to transport personnel and materials to and from job sites, and assists in loading and unloading materials and equipment from vehicles.

Operates a passenger bus to transport patrons to various designated locations.

Operates air compressor, 5 ton rollers, asphalt curb machine, tractor mower, flail mower in connection with construction or maintenance projects.

Checks vehicle on a daily basis to include interior/exterior cleaning duties, tires and air pressure, engine fluid/hydraulic fluid levels and adjusts levels to meet prescribed standards.

Reports malfunctions in vehicle operation by completion of a chauffer's report and submits it to the Repair Shop in a timely fashion to avoid disruptions in services.

Assists in the training of subordinate level employees to facilitate the development of required knowledges, skills and abilities.

When not engaged as an operator, performs tasks of a laborer or semi-skilled laborer.

Willingly and cooperatively performs tasks and duties which may not be specifically listed in the class specification or position description, but which are within the general occupational category and responsibility level typically associated with the employee's class of work.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Knowledge in the operation of light equipment.

Knowledge of traffic and safety rules and accident prevention practices.

Ability to operate various types of light equipment.

Ability to read and understand road maps.

Ability to maintain good work relationship with all levels of employees and the general public.

Skill in the operation of light equipment.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

One year of experience as a Laborer or equivalent experience in the operation of some type of equipment and completion of a standard grade school course; or any combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledges, skills and abilities. Must successfully complete equipment/vehicle performance testing for equipment vehicles associated with this class.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Good physical condition.

Possession of a valid and appropriate driver's license.

Willingness to work out doors in any kind of weather.

Willingness to respond to emergency service calls on a 24-hour basis.

REVISED: 10/88