

Code: 4533

Title: *SANITARIAN ASSISTANT*

SUMMARY: Performs work in the public health sanitation or environmental health field by assisting a licensed sanitarian with investigations, inspections, and sampling functions.

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES: (Work assignments may vary depending on the department's needs and will be communicated to the applicant or incumbent by the supervisor.)

Collects samples of food products, water and sewage for laboratory analysis;
Assists a licensed sanitarian in the investigation and inspection of food, recreational, and housing establishments, such as restaurants, swimming pools, hotels, motels, trailer courts, day care centers, massage parlors, ice manufacturing plants, bed and breakfast facilities, schools and warehouses, within assigned area of jurisdiction, on health related matters;
Assists in investigation of complaints from citizens and other agencies and provide referral to proper source of resolution;
Investigates vector related complaints and accomplishes or recommends appropriate treatment of infested areas;
Prepares, mixes, applies and properly disposes of insecticides;
Operates and performs operator level maintenance of spray equipment and assigned vehicle;
Keeps manual and computer-based records and prepares reports as required.

KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS:

Knowledge of:

- procedures and techniques of collecting samples of products for laboratory analysis;
- preparation, application, and disposal of vector control solutions;
- principles and practices of pest control;
- principles and practices of investigation and inspection of recreational and housing establishments;
- procedures and techniques for the operation and service of spray and automotive equipment;
- relevant sanitation and health laws, rules, regulations, ordinances and codes.

Skill in:

- collecting samples of products for laboratory analysis;
- identifying different species of insects;
- assisting in the performance of investigation and inspection of recreational and housing establishments;
- recommending treatment of infested areas;
- preparing, applying and properly disposing of vector control solutions;
- operating and performing operator level maintenance of spray and automotive equipment;
- applying appropriate sanitation and health laws, rules, regulations and codes.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

EITHER:

(1) Six semester hours of course work with a grade of “C” or better (2.0 on a 4.0 scale), from an accredited college or university in either the natural or physical sciences, environmental health, public health, health education, math (College Algebra or higher), computer science, nutritional or food sciences, or other closely related field as determined by the Appointing Authority at the time of recruitment.

OR:

(2) Three months of field or investigative work experience directly related to public health sanitation, environmental health, food sanitation, or pest control.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

Licenses and Certificates: A Pest Control Operator certification must be acquired within six months from

the date of appointment. Maintenance of a current Pest Control Operator certification is a condition of employment; failure to maintain license may result in termination. Some positions may require a valid Arizona Class D Driver's License at the time of appointment or prior to completion of initial/promotional probation.

Physical/Sensory Requirements: Physical and sensory abilities will be determined by position.

This class specification is intended to indicate the basic nature of positions allocated to the class and examples of typical duties that may be assigned. It does not imply that all positions within the class perform all of the duties listed, nor does it necessarily list all possible duties that may be assigned.

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