

Department: In all Civil Divisions
Classification: Non-Competitive (Seasonal)
Grade: _____

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LIFEGUARD

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for performing routine patrol work looking after the safety and welfare of the bathers at a swimming area. There is, however, considerable responsibility for the exercise of sound judgment in emergencies. An error in judgment might result in lost of life. The incumbent does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Stands watch or patrols bathing beach keeping bathers within bounds and going to their aid when they are in difficulty;
Applies resuscitation techniques and otherwise renders first aid;
Instructs beginners in swimming;
Keeps the beach free of glass and other debris;
Performs other routine duties such as repairing equipment;
Maintains order;
Enforces compliance with beach rules.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

A thorough knowledge of first aid, life saving and rescue work as applied to accidents in the water; ability to swim well; ability to deal with the public and to secure cooperation without unnecessary antagonism; ability to keep records and to make simple reports and arithmetic computations; good observation; mental alertness; good moral character; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Must be at least 17 years old.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION:

Possession of a current American Red Cross basic life support for the professional rescuer CPR, or equivalent combination; and possession of a current lifeguard training certificate from a certifying agency (such as the American Red Cross, Boy Scouts, YMCA) acceptable to the State Health Commissioner.

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