

# **CLASS TITLE: FOREMAN OF STATION LABORERS**

# **CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS**

Under general supervision, performs and supervises Station Laborers performing manual labor and custodial duties at a municipal water treatment plant and surrounding grounds, and performs related duties as required

# **ESSENTIAL DUTIES**

- Functions as a working supervisor, making daily work assignments to staff of Station Laborers and assisting them in the performance of assigned work tasks
- Oversees staff cleaning, sweeping and mopping terrazzo and tile floors, concrete floors, stairways, dock areas and other work areas using manual and powered equipment
- Assigns custodial duties including cleaning bathrooms, moving of furniture and office equipment, and garbage collection and disposal to maintain the cleanliness of plant facilities
- Confers with plant management to schedule and coordinate work assignments impacting on plant operations to ensure operational efficiency is maintained
- Oversees and participates in the cleaning of settling basins, hose placements, and cleaning techniques with the guidance of operating engineers as needed
- Operates and supervises staff operating forklifts to load, unload, move and distribute materials and equipment to designated locations
- Oversees the cleaning of grounds areas including snow and ice removal, picking up trash and debris and erecting and removing snow fences
- Inspects work in progress to ensure timely completion of assignments and adherence to work standards
- Prepares productivity reports and related work reports
- Trains staff on performance of work activities and implements safety procedures to minimize accidents and promote a safe work environment
- Maintains time records for subordinate staff and approves time off; conducts performance evaluations; and initiates and enforces disciplinary actions as required
- **NOTE**: The list of essential duties is not intended to be inclusive; there may be other duties that are essential to particular positions within the class.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

## Education, Training, and Experience

• Two years of work experience as a Station Laborer, general laborer or custodian / janitor

## Licensure, Certification, or Other Qualifications

• Assignments involving the operation of a forklift will require positions to be trained and evaluated by the employer prior to the assignment, as required under OSHA standards administered by the Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL)

# **WORKING CONDITIONS**

• General office environment

- Exposure to outdoor weather conditions
- Exposure to loud noise, fumes or dust, oily or wet environment

#### EQUIPMENT

- Standard office equipment (e.g., telephone, printer, photocopier, fax machine, calculator)
- Computers and peripheral equipment (e.g., personal computer, computer terminals)
- Personal protective equipment (e.g., hard hat, shoes, glasses, gloves, vest, pads)
- Powered and manual cleaning equipment (e.g., power hoses, mops, brooms)

#### PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

- Heavy lifting and carrying (up to 75 pounds) is required
- Ability to stand and walk for extended or continuous periods of time
- Ability to operate applicable hand tools and power equipment

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND OTHER WORK REQUIREMENTS

#### Knowledge

Moderate knowledge of:

- equipment and materials specific to custodial maintenance and grounds keeping
- applicable safety principles, practices, and procedures
- use of safety equipment and protective gear

Some knowledge of:

• supervisory methods, practices, and procedures

Knowledge of applicable City and department policies, procedures, rules, and regulations

#### <u>Skills</u>

- ACTIVE LISTENING Give full attention to what other people are saying, take time to understand the points being made, ask questions as appropriate, and not interrupt at inappropriate times
- INSTRUCTING Teach others how to do something

Other skill as required for successful performance in the Station Laborer class

#### **Abilities**

- COMPREHEND ORAL INFORMATION Listen to and understand information and ideas presented through spoken words and sentences
- SPEAK Communicate information and ideas in speaking so others will understand
- COMPREHEND WRITTEN INFORMATION Read and understand information and ideas presented in writing
- WRITE Communicate information and ideas in writing so others will understand

#### **Other Work Requirements**

- INITIATIVE Demonstrate willingness to take on job challenges
- LEADERSHIP Demonstrate willingness to lead, take charge, and offer opinions and direction

- ADAPTABILITY/FLEXIBILITY Be open to change (positive or negative) and to considerable variety in the workplace
- DEPENDABILITY Demonstrate reliability, responsibility, and dependability and fulfill obligations
- ATTENTION TO DETAIL Pay careful attention to detail and thoroughness in completing work tasks

All employees of the City of Chicago must demonstrate commitment to and compliance with applicable state and federal laws, and City ordinances and rules; the City's Ethics standards; and other City policies and procedures.

The City of Chicago will consider equivalent foreign degrees, accreditations, and credentials in evaluating qualifications.

\* May be required at entry.

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