FIRE SERVICE WORKER

JC: MA330  
BU: S01 (SEIU)  
PG: 301  
FLSA: Non-exempt

Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Specifications are not intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, inspects and services a variety of fire prevention and suppression equipment; instructs District staff on fire prevention and suppression techniques; performs related work as assigned.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS

This class is fully competent to inspect, service, and perform preventive maintenance on a variety of fire protection equipment found in District transit vehicles, fleet and facilities and to provide training in fire prevention and suppression techniques to District staff. This class is distinguished from the Emergency Vehicle Operator class in that the primary responsibility of the latter is to provide emergency response throughout the District revenue system.

REPORTS TO

Assistant Superintendent of Power Mechanical Maintenance or designee

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES — Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Inspects, tests, services, and repairs a wide variety of fire prevention, detection, and suppression equipment including fire extinguishers of various types, hydrants, standpipes, sprinkler systems, hoses and suppression vehicles.

2. Ensures that fire extinguishers are of the proper type for the desired application and that they are fully charged and operational; recommends the repair of equipment by contract specialists as required.

3. Assists District staff in learning and using fire suppression techniques and specialized pumping and breathing apparatus.

4. Performs regularly scheduled fire prevention inspections of District properties and equipment.

5. Maintains inspection records of fire protection equipment and ensures the tagging of fire extinguishers throughout the District.

6. Maintains accurate records and prepares periodic reports of work performed.

7. Keeps informed of changing methods and techniques of fire prevention and suppression and
recommends improvements for District facilities, work methods and procedures.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:
- Principles, practices and methods of fire prevention and suppression
- Operation, use and preventive maintenance of extinguishers, sprinkler system, and various fire suppression equipment
- Safety practices and procedures pertaining to the work
- Applicable federal, state and local laws, codes and regulations

Skill/Ability in:
- Making inspections, servicing and performing preventive maintenance on various fire prevention and suppression devices and equipment
- Applying emergency procedures and using fire protection equipment
- Maintaining accurate records and preparing clear and concise reports of work performed
- Working cooperatively with representatives of municipal fire agencies
- Analyzing fire prevention problems and recommending practical solutions
- Establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of the work
- Making sound independent decisions within established guidelines

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Positions in this classification are filled exclusively by the lateral transfer of employees from Maintenance Worker III job classifications (salary grade 301) within the Structures Department based on the employees’ seniority and interest in the positions. Therefore, the minimum qualifications for the job classification are as follows:

Education
Possession of a high school diploma, GED or recognized equivalent.

Experience
Current employment and at least two (2) years of experience in a Maintenance Worker III (MWIII) position within the District’s Structures Department; and status as the most senior MWIII employee in the Structures Department to confirm interest in the position.

Substitution
None

Other Requirements
Must possess a valid California driver's license and have a satisfactory driving record.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Environmental Conditions
Exposure to field, site and station environments; exposure to heat, cold, moving vehicles, electronic
equipment, electrical energy, ancillary equipment and devices; exposure to live voltage, confined spaces, underground, aerial structures and inclement weather conditions.

**Physical Conditions**
Requirements maintaining physical condition necessary for lifting, walking long distances, standing and working in confined spaces.

BART EEO-1 Job Group: 5000 – Skilled Workers
Census Code: 3740 – Firefighters
Safety Sensitive: No

**CLASSIFICATION HISTORY**
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