

Jurisdictional Class: Non-Competitive
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WATER MAINTENANCE WORKER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: These duties involve the performance of maintenance and repair work in the operation of a municipal water system. The work is performed under a prescribed routine permitting wide leeway in the order of tasks performed. Supervision of a crew may be exercised when situations require a larger work force of skilled or unskilled tasks. The incumbent does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Installs and maintains fire hydrants, gate valves, and water mains;
Taps and caulks joints of water mains;
Investigates complaints dealing with blockage or water leaks, and tests and repairs leaks;
Takes part in flushing operations and clears hydrants of snow and ice;
Leads and participates in the installation, cleaning of catch basin, sanitary manholes, or wet wells;
Leads and participates in the operation and maintenance of water plants;
Maintains an inventory of supplies on hand;
Removes, repairs, and resets hydrants;
Repacks gate valves;
Participates in excavation and backfill activities in connection with above work;
Maintains buildings and equipment used by the department;
May operate tapping machines, pumps, compressors, air hammers, caulking guns, and other related equipment;
May operate a truck in connection with the above work;
May repair and replace water meters;
Inspects new facilities for compliance with Local Laws and ordinances;
Prepares daily reports, as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES & PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of common practices, tools, terminology, and principles involved in maintenance of water distribution systems and water measuring devices;
Ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions;
Ability to withstand heavy labor for extended periods.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either

- (a) One (1) year of training and/or experience in the plumbing field; or
- (b) Two (2) years of experience as a laborer; or
- (c) An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined by the limits of (a) and (b) above.