

EQUIPMENT OPERATOR 2

NATURE OF WORK

This is skilled work in the operation of medium to heavy and moderately complex equipment.

Positions of this class are responsible for the safe and efficient operation of a street sweeper, and/or for operating a front-end loader and for serving as a lead worker over a crew of equipment operators and maintenance workers. Operation of this equipment requires the manipulation of controls ordinarily greater in complexity than those operated at the Equipment Operator 1 level. The equipment is often operated along city streets where great care must be exercised. Work requires careful attention to safety regulations to avoid injury to members of the crew, the public or damage to public or private property. Employees may operate other mobile equipment or participate in work assigned crews of maintenance workers when necessary. Routine assignments are usually performed under general supervision in accordance with established procedures and practices; however, special and more complex assignments receive direct supervision or specific and detailed instructions. Frequently, employees in this class will provide on-the-job training to helpers. Work is inspected in progress or after completion for safe operation of the vehicles and skill of maintenance tasks performed with the vehicle.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK {The employee in this classification must be able to perform the following. Physical and mental tasks related to these functions will be required. Additional related duties not listed may be required and some incumbents may be assigned less than all of the functions listed. The following examples do not contain every task that could be reasonably assigned. The absence of a specified task here does not imply the task cannot be assigned if related to the nature of work, a logical assignment, or a business necessity.}

Operates front-end loader on city streets to remove large volume of refuse or debris; serves as lead worker over a crew of equipment operators and maintenance workers.

Operates motorized sweeper to sweep streets.

Performs skilled and semi-skilled maintenance tasks related to the area of assignment.

Services, cleans, and makes minor repairs to assigned equipment.

Reports to work on a timely basis, maintains a good attendance record, and performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

Considerable knowledge of the operation and maintenance characteristics of the assigned equipment.

Considerable knowledge of the principles and practices of safe operation of assigned equipment.

Considerable knowledge of the occupational hazards of the work and of necessary safety precautions.

Knowledge of the traffic laws, ordinances, and regulations applicable to the operation of assigned equipment.

Ability to understand and follow oral instructions.

Ability to identify operating deficiencies and defects in assigned equipment.

Skill in the operation of assigned equipment.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Successful completion of a training program at the Equipment Operator 2 level; or six months of equipment operation and maintenance experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of a valid commercial driver's license as required by the Department of Public Safety, State of Louisiana.