

CITY OF SIMI VALLEY

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

*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.*

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

Under general supervision, operates a variety of motorized maintenance and construction equipment in the maintenance and repair of business and residential streets and alleys; performs excavating, grading, trenching, loading and related heavy equipment operations; performs a wide variety of skilled and semi-skilled manual work; maintains equipment in proper operating condition.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES

The following duties are typical for this classification. Incumbents may not perform all of the listed duties and/or may be required to perform additional or different duties from those set forth below to address business needs and changing business practices.

1. Transport and operate a variety of motorized maintenance construction equipment such as backhoe, roller, grader, loader, and dump truck in the upkeep, maintenance and repair of business and residential streets and alleys.
2. Maintain the safe working condition of all equipment; conduct pre-trip and required periodic inspections of equipment; perform minor repairs on equipment and promptly report the need for major repairs to the supervisor.
3. Perform manual work using power tools or hand tools including concrete saw, compressor, jackhammer, hot tap machines, drills, and saws.
4. Performs heavy and semi-skilled construction maintenance and labor work when not operating regularly assigned equipment.
5. Utilize proper safety precautions related to all work performed.
6. Train employees in the safe operation of heavy equipment.
7. Maintain a variety of basic records and logs; provide mileage and other data to supervisor, as required.
8. Perform related duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

The following generally describes the knowledge and ability required to enter the job and/or be learned within a short period of time in order to successfully perform the assigned duties.

Knowledge of:

Operation and maintenance of a variety of motorized maintenance and construction equipment.
Practices, methods, and materials used in construction and maintenance work.
Traffic laws related to the operation of trucks and heavy equipment.
Principles and practices of routine and preventative maintenance of construction equipment.
Principles and procedures of record keeping.
Method and operation of cleaning and maintaining assigned equipment.
Occupational hazards and standard safety practices.
The geography and street system of the City.

Ability to:

Operate a variety of construction equipment safely and productively in traffic.
Perform minor maintenance and repairs to vehicles and equipment.
Perform a variety of semi-skilled and skilled construction and maintenance tasks.
Operate and maintain hand and power tools in a safe and efficient manner.
Perform heavy manual labor.
Perform a variety of manual tasks for extended periods of time and in unfavorable weather conditions.
Load, haul, collect and dispose of materials, debris, and trash.
Train others in the safe and efficient operation of equipment.
Operate a two-way radio and headset.
Maintain log sheets and other required information.
Read and interpret basic blueprints, diagrams, and maps.
Clean and maintain equipment in proper operating condition.
Work independently in the absence of supervision.
Understand and follow oral and written instructions.
Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
Be available to work nights, weekends, stand-by and emergency call-ins.
Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Education and Experience Guidelines - *Any combination of education and experience that would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:*

Education/Training:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth grade.

Experience:

One year of increasingly responsible experience operating construction equipment.

License or Certificate:

Possession of a valid California Class A driver license is required.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORKING ENVIRONMENT

The conditions herein are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential job functions.

Environment: Field environment; travel from site to site; exposure to noise, dust, fumes, and inclement weather conditions; work in confined spaces; work around traffic and heavy equipment.

Physical: Primary functions require sufficient physical ability to work in a field environment including travel to various locations; sit for prolonged periods of time; operate trucks and heavy equipment.

Vision: See in the normal visual range with or without correction; vision sufficient to read printed documents and to operate construction equipment.

Hearing: Hear in the normal audio range with or without correction.

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