CRIME SCENE TECHNICIAN

NATURE OF WORK IN THIS CLASS:

This is routine technical work involved in the detection, recovery, examination and identification of criminal evidence.

Employees in this class perform routine technical duties independently after initial training and work under closer supervision on a variety of more complex developmental assignments.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK: (These examples do not list all the duties which may be assigned; any one position may not include all the duties listed.)

Searches for physical evidence at the scene of a crime; collects, preserves, marks and identifies evidence; photographs and recovers latent fingerprints, bullets, cartridge cases, weapons, documents and other physical evidence.

Examines and identifies firearms and related hardwares used in the commission of a crime.

Photographs evidence and diagrams crime scene.

Develops and prints black and white films.

Provides photos of arrestees to narcotics, detectives and records division.

May testify in criminal court as an expert witness.

Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS:

Knowledge of the darkroom procedures for developing and printing films.

Ability to learn the use of modern crime laboratory equipment and materials.

Ability to learn the principles and practices of firearms and toolmark examinations.

Ability to learn investigative techniques and the reporting and presentation of evidence in criminal court proceedings.

Ability to observe situations analytically and objectively and to record them clearly and completely.
Ability to report the results of laboratory test clearly and concisely, orally and in writing.

Ability to work effectively with the public and employees.

Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

(A) One year of experience in the collection, preservation and presentation of criminal evidence and graduation from high school; or

(B) Any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the minimum knowledge, abilities and skills.

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