ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST III

NATURE OF WORK IN THIS CLASS:

This is complex professional work in environmental protection or the maintenance of environmental health areas such as sanitary inspection, air pollution control, radiological health, water and wastewater pollution control, pesticides control or solid wastes control.

Employees in this class perform the full range of complex environmental protection health duties including independent work in specialized areas of the profession. Employees often serve as team or group leaders over less experienced professional staff.

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

Leads in determining the nature and scope of environmental health problems to be investigated by deciding the parameters of the problems in terms of extent of violation, statistical or qualitative data to be analyzed and guidance of staff to a particular portion of the project. May formulate the methodology for conducting investigations and inspections.

Implements and coordinates a specific environmental health program in such areas as air pollution control, radiological health, water pollution control, pesticides control or solid wastes control.

Leads field inspection and surveys to identify health and environmental hazards.

Prepares or reviews reports that describe the existence of the environmental pollution; evaluates information compiled with reference to investigations and surveys.

Interprets or disseminates environmental regulations or laws to subordinate staff for their comprehension.

Conducts complex technical inspections or more complex environmental pollution projects.
Provides educational assistance to staff by coordinating instructional job or training workshops or instructing staff on training modules; provides information and training to the public on environmental health matters by presenting lesson to groups of people requiring certification or preparing information for news media.

Prepares reports, conclusions, and recommendations and submits it to supervisors for approval.

Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS:

Knowledge of a specific science in either Chemistry, Biology, or Physical Science.

Ability to apply and interpret laws, rules, regulations and practices for a specific controlled environmental condition.

Ability to lead the work of others.

Ability to prepare recommendations for removal or reduction of a specific pollution.

Ability to gather, collect, and analyze samples.

Ability to implement and conduct inspections at industrial, residential, business or governmental establishments.

Ability to review operational reports to determine program effectiveness.

Ability to work effectively with the public and employees.

Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.

Ability to prepare reports and maintain records.

Skill in the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

(A) Four years of specialized experience in environmental health protection/enforcement work and graduation from a recognized college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Biology,
Chemistry, or Physical Science, in Public Administration, Political Science, Community Planning, Economics, Natural Science, Engineering or related fields; or

(B) Three years of experience in administrative professional, technical, or other work involved in gathering, analyzing and evaluating facts and information; making contacts with others and preparing written materials; and four years of specialized experience in environmental health protection/enforcement work and graduation from high school; or

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

NECESSARY QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

(A) Registration as a Sanitarian (R.S.) with the National Environmental Health Association or with any of the States or Territories or certification of professional recognition in a specialized field by a professional organization may be required for certain positions in the class.

(B) Possession of a valid driver's license.

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