

**CLASS SPECIFICATION**  
**SAN DIEGO CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**UTILITY WORKER I - 1978**

**DEFINITION:**

Under immediate supervision, to perform a variety of semi-skilled maintenance, construction, and operating tasks; to assist skilled trades staff; and to perform related work.

**\* EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:**

- Assists skilled trades workers or repair technicians by performing the less skilled tasks in carpentry, roofing, painting, plumbing, electrical, plastering, welding, cement finishing, masonry, and tree trimming;
- Assists in performing water and sewer system construction and maintenance tasks;
- Makes minor repairs to buildings, benches, bleachers, tools, and equipment;
- Replaces rotary broom bristles;
- Assists in constructing and repairing bridges, fences, traffic signs, and playground equipment;
- Assists in painting traffic patterns and repairing, installing, and maintaining street lights, lanterns, barricades, and street signs;
- Cleans, maintains, and repairs plugged drains, channels, and catch basins;
- Hauls and loads debris;
- Independently performs weed, litter, and debris clean-up and removal;
- Operates spray equipment for weed and pest infestation;
- Assists in locating, repairing, and maintaining water and sewer line breaks and/or leaks;
- Assists in the repair and installation of meters, valves, pumps, and fire hydrants;
- Cleans sewer mains and laterals;
- Assists in locating, laying, joining, repairing, and caulking pipe;
- Operates cement mixers, air compressors, acetylene cutting equipment, gunite machines, pipe tapping machines, light trucks, pneumatic hammers, and similar equipment of comparable operational difficulty;
- Performs rough cement masonry work;
- Rakes, rolls, and irons hot asphalt materials;
- Assists in construction and maintenance of City bridges, reservoirs, floats, wharves, docks, and gang planks;
- Turns water services on and off;
- Collects samples of water and sewage and makes simple field tests;
- Cleans, repairs, and alters water meter boxes and registers;
- Prepares routine reports; provides basic information to the public;
- May lead the work of subordinate personnel.

\* **EXAMPLES OF DUTIES** performed by employees in this class. The list may not include all required duties, nor are all listed tasks necessarily performed by everyone in this class.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Please note: the minimum qualifications stated below are a guide for determining the education, training, experience, special skills, and/or license which may be required for employment in the class. These are re-evaluated each time the position is opened for recruitment. Please refer to the most recent Job Description for updated minimum qualifications: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sandiego/classspecs>.

Six months of paid full-time manual labor experience, such as general construction repair or maintenance, groundskeeping, custodial maintenance, or the operation, maintenance, or repair of mechanical equipment; **OR** six months of full-time experience as a Laborer with the City of San Diego. Possession of a valid California Class C Driver's License.