

CLASS SPECIFICATION
SAN DIEGO CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
LIFEGUARD I

DEFINITION:

Under general supervision, to maintain surveillance over an assigned coastal area to protect life and property and to prevent accidents; to enforce local and state laws; and to perform related work.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

This class is used primarily to fill seasonal, summer lifeguard positions.

* **EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:**

- Safeguards the using public by maintaining surveillance over an assigned area within a lifeguard district on the oceanfront or Mission Bay;
- Performs beach, cliff and water rescues in coastal and inland areas;
- Enforces aquatic beach regulations and ordinances;
- Issues citations and makes arrests;
- Patrols assigned area in radio equipped emergency vehicle;
- Warns the public of dangerous conditions and posts warning devices;
- Administers medical aid and performs cardio-pulmonary resuscitation;
- Operates emergency vehicles such as pickup trucks, 2 and 4 wheel drive vehicles, cliff rescue vehicle, rescue boats and specialized lifesaving equipment;
- Dives in ocean water, with or without self-contained underwater breathing apparatus (SCUBA);
- Performs search and recovery on Mission Bay, ocean, or inland lakes and waterways;
- Dispatches mobile lifeguard units;
- Furnishes routine information to the media and general public;
- Testifies in court regarding matters of enforcement and litigation;
- Tows disabled boats;
- Keeps records and writes reports;
- Maintains safety equipment, facilities and supplies;
- Assists in conducting aquatic events and water safety programs;
- Is subject to 24-hour emergency call.

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 Announcement for updated minimum qualifications.

Must be 18 years old at date of hire. Possession of valid "American Red Cross Emergency Response" certificate or equivalent; completion of the San Diego Regional Lifeguard Academy course, "Introduction to Open Water Lifeguarding". Possession of a valid California Class C Driver's License.

- * **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.