CLASS SPECIFICATION

SAN DIEGO CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

SANITATION DRIVER III - 1824

DEFINITION:

Under general supervision, alternately to drive a refuse, recycling, greens and/or other equivalent waste collection vehicle to collect and transport residential refuse, greens and recyclable materials; to lead and train subordinate sanitation drivers; and to perform related work.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

This class is distinguished from Sanitation Driver II, the journey-level classification, in that incumbents of the Sanitation Driver III classification operate automated refuse trucks and act as a lead to subordinate sanitation drivers. Incumbents assist Area Refuse Collection Supervisors with a variety of issues related to operations, emergencies, and the testing of routes.

* EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

- Operates automated or other collection vehicles for the purpose of collecting refuse, greens and recycling materials and transporting the loads to landfills and/or recycling centers throughout San Diego;
- Acts as a lead to subordinate staff;
- May act as a first responder to accidents, oil spills or other emergencies by arriving on scene quickly, rendering assistance, assessing need for medical attention, directing traffic, diverting oil from storm drains, and performing similar tasks;
- Acts as a lead at a remote station performing dispatch duties, arranging for spare vehicles, and/or assigning service requests;
- Explains city regulations and departmental policies to the general public and subordinate staff;
- Verifies cut-off points to identify the need for route and/or cut-off point adjustment;
- Tests and evaluates new equipment, vehicles and/or routes;
- Trains new sanitation drivers on assignment in the field on the operation of automated and other collection vehicles, including use of the packing mechanism, dumping and cleaning functions, vehicle inspections, customer service policies, identification of yard waste contaminants, and application of City policies;
- Provides field training to sanitation drivers who require additional instruction to improve their efficiency and addresses safety-related issues on the operation of automated and other vehicles and/or equipment new to them;
- Performs daily pre-trip and post-trip inspections;
- Turns vehicles in for repair of any malfunctions;
- Mentors sanitation drivers and ensures that all safety and operational regulations are adhered to;
- Provides operational advice in the field;
- Performs other duties as assigned.

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.

Five years of experience as a Sanitation Driver II with the City of San Diego driving and operating two or more types of automated vehicles for the purpose of collecting and transporting refuse and/or recyclable materials. Possession of a valid California Class B Driver License. A current California Department of Motor Vehicles Medical Certificate dated within the last two years.

* 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.