

CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work of this class involves responsibility for the operation of specialized heavy equipment used in highway construction or maintenance projects. This class differs from that of Motor Equipment Operator and Heavy Equipment Operator by virtue of the fact that an incumbent may be required to operate over-the-road vehicles for the sole purpose of transporting specialized equipment. Additionally, this class utilizes a more complex nature of equipment, requiring a greater skill level along with increased responsibility for the safety of others. When not operating equipment, incumbents may be assigned manual laboring tasks. Duties are performed under general supervision in accordance with established practices and procedures. Direct supervision may be exercised over a number of Laborers. A Construction Equipment Operator does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

- Operates grader, bulldozer, front-end loader, tractor mounted backhoe, and cranes in the construction and maintenance of roads;
- Operates a snow plow clearing and sanding roads;
- Operates tractor hauling trailers or tanks to transport materials or equipment;
- Loads trucks with sand and salt;
- Performs routine maintenance on assigned equipment;
- Maintains service records on equipment;
- Performs a number of manual tasks such as cleaning culverts, erecting snow fence, painting, refuse collection, pavement repair, and other maintenance tasks;
- May supervise a number of personnel assigned to a particular job.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Good knowledge of the operation of specialized automotive construction equipment; skill in the safe and efficient operation of automotive construction equipment; ability to service and make minor repairs to assigned equipment; ability to follow oral and written directions; ability to use hand and power tools; mechanical aptitude; manual dexterity; willingness to work outdoors year-round; physical condition sufficient to perform the essential functions of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Three months of experience operating specialized automotive equipment or successful completion of a course in heavy equipment operation.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Possession and maintenance of appropriate class Motor Vehicle license.

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