



JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE:	Sewer Maintenance Worker	PAY GRADE:	3
DEPARTMENT:	Public Works	FLSA STATUS:	Non-Exempt
DIVISION:	Water & Sewer	UNION:	SEIU

Job description statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by employees assigned to this job title. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required. Management reserves the right to add, modify, change or rescind the work assignments or to make reasonable accommodations so that qualified employees can perform the essential functions of the job.

SUMMARY

Under the supervision of the Sewer Maintenance Supervisor, the Sewer Maintenance Worker is a non-exempt position under FLSA which assists with the maintenance of the sanitary sewer systems. Maintaining sewer lines and operating department equipment are the primary responsibilities of this position. This employee should possess a strong mechanical aptitude and effective communication and public relation skills.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- Performs maintenance and repairs to the sanitary sewer systems; Maintains proper flow of sewer lines by performing cleaning and repairs; Responds to emergency calls including pager duties; Maintains safety at work sites.
- Drives and operates department heavy equipment including sewer cleaners, video unit, backhoes, dump trucks and flush trucks; Inspects and maintains department equipment; Installs sanitary sewer lines; Tests sanitary sewer systems; Installs and repairs manholes; Performs service taps.
- Locates sewer lines for construction projects. Provides snow and ice removal during inclement weather; Assists during and after emergencies; Maintains and builds barricades; Trains with the Water Department personnel;
- Other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION:

- A high school diploma or GED is required.

EXPERIENCE:

- One to three years of similar or related experience is preferred. Employee is expected to have acquired the necessary information and skills to perform the job reasonably well within six months of employment.

CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSE:

- This employee must possess or be able to obtain a valid Kansas Class B Commercial Driver's License (C.D.L.) with air brake and tanker endorsements within ninety (90) days of appointment. A Class I or higher Wastewater Collection System certification is preferred.

OTHER CHARACTERISTICS

KNOWLEDGE OF:

- Sewer maintenance, equipment maintenance, and mathematics.

SKILLED IN:

- Mechanical aptitude, and effective public relations, oral and written communication.

ABILITY TO:

- Operate sewer rodders, backhoes, trucks, loaders, hand tools, pumps, and other department equipment;
- Understand and anticipate problems and to read and interpret maps, manuals, and written instructions;
- Effectively communicate with general public, co-workers, and supervisory personnel.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS & PHYSICAL DEMANDS

Environmental Conditions:

Performance of essential job functions requires routine exposure to adverse environmental conditions, such as dirt, dust, pollen, odors, wetness, humidity, rain, fumes, animals/insects, temperature extremes, all other weather conditions, and toxic agents. Work is performed at street, highway, grounds or utility maintenance work sites where inclement weather and traffic and equipment hazards are routinely encountered.

Physical Demands:

Manual labor and the ability to operate departmental equipment is required daily in this position. Hand/eye and hand/foot coordination is required for operation of heavy equipment and vehicles. Employee must be able to wear all required Personal Protective Equipment (P.P.E.) necessary to safely carry out all assigned duties.

Tasks require the regular and sustained performance of heavy, physically demanding work, typically involving some combination of climbing and balancing, stooping, kneeling, crouching, and bending. Work involves routine lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling of heavy objects and materials.

Oral and auditory capacity enabling interpersonal communication as well as communication through automated devices is necessary. Vision and hand/eye coordination is necessary to safely and efficiently operate equipment. Some tasks require the ability to perceive and discriminate colors or shades of colors, sounds, odors, depth, texture, and visual cues or signals.