

CITY OF ST. LOUIS CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION

TITLE: Park Ranger

CLASS CODE: 2132

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:

Incumbents in this classification protect assets and maintain order at city parks, recreation centers and forest facilities through crime prevention and regulation.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS:

This is an entry-level service classification in the Public Safety and Security Series – General Security Group job family within the City of St. Louis. Incumbents within this classification perform moderately complex duties with a variety of related tasks.

Incumbents work under general supervision. While workers require some supervision in most assignments, they are free to develop their own work sequences within established procedures, methods and policies. They are generally subject to periodic supervisory checks.

This is an individual contributor class, meaning the incumbent is responsible for his/her own work including output, quality and timeliness. Incumbents may, however, explain work processes and train others, such as new employees, in the same or similar job title. The individual contributor may serve as a resource or guide by advising others on how to use processes within a system or as a member of a collaborative problem-solving team.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (Illustrative Only):

(The list of duties is intended to be representative of the duties performed in positions within this classification. It does not include all the duties that may be assigned to a position and is not necessarily descriptive of any one position in this class.)

Performs vehicle patrol in parks and recreation centers.

Provides assistance to park and recreation center visitors.

Issues parking and traffic violations.

Responds to disturbances, alarms, and vehicle breakdowns.

Generates incident reports.

Performs other duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Data Utilization:

Requires the ability to perform basic level of data analysis including the ability to review, classify, categorize, prioritize and/or reference data, statutes and/or guidelines and/or group, rank, investigate and diagnose. Requires discretion in determining and referencing such to established standards to recognize interactive effects and relationships.

Human Interaction:

Requires the ability to persuade, convince, influence, train and monitor, in favor of a desired outcome.

Equipment, Machinery, Tools and Materials Use:

Requires the ability to operate, calibrate, tune and synchronize, and perform complex rapid adjustment on equipment, machinery and tools such as a motor vehicle, weapon and/or related materials used in performing essential functions.

Verbal Aptitude:

Requires the ability to utilize a variety of advisory data and information such as work schedules, park permits, shift logs, safety and police manuals, and non-routine correspondence.

Mathematical Aptitude:

Requires the ability to count, add, subtract and measure.

Functional Reasoning:

Requires the ability to apply principles of rational systems. Ability to interpret instructions furnished in written, oral, diagrammatic or schedule form. Ability to exercise independent judgment to adopt or modify methods and standards to meet variations in assigned objective.

Situational Reasoning:

Requires the ability to exercise the judgment, decisiveness and creativity required in situations involving the evaluation of information against sensory, judgmental and/or subjective criteria, as opposed to criteria that are clearly measurable or verifiable.

Environmental Factors:

Tasks may risk exposure to adverse environmental conditions, such as humidity, rain, temperature extremes, traffic hazards, animals/wildlife and violence.

Physical Requirements:

Requires the ability to lift, carry, push, and pull moderately heavy objects and materials, twenty (20) to fifty (50) pounds; and may occasionally involve objects and materials up to one hundred (100) pounds, such as assisting police with the injured.

Tasks involve the ability to exert regular and sustained heavy physical effort with an emphasis on climbing and balancing which also involves stooping, kneeling, crouching, and crawling in order to perform patrol duty.

Sensory Requirements:

Requires the ability to recognize and identify similarities or differences between characteristics of colors, shapes and sounds associated with job-related objects, materials and tasks, such as safely operating a vehicle.

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