Lifeguard

Class Code: 2720

General Description

Performs routine (journey-level) safety, informational, and maintenance work within an aquatic facility. Work involves ensuring the safety and well-being of visitors and staff by protecting life, preventing accidents, enforcing rules and regulations, and providing instructions. Works under moderate supervision, with limited latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

Examples of Work Performed

Maintains surveillance of patrons within an aquatic facility to protect and ensure their safety.

Provides emergency care and treatment, and coordinates emergency procedures until the arrival of emergency medical services.

Provides information and assistance to pool visitors.

Interprets and enforces pool policies, rules, and regulations.

Inspects and maintains safety and rescue equipment.

Prepares and maintains appropriate activity reports and logs.

Performs general pool and facility maintenance.

Performs required water-related tests.

May collect and account for pool-related revenue.

May assist with concession operations.

May assist with preparing work schedules.

May assist with swimming lessons.

Performs related work as assigned.
GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Completion of 9th grade level education.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of water hazards, lifesaving techniques, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and other rescue methods; and of basic facility cleaning and sanitation techniques.

Skill in basic swimming techniques, in the application of lifeguarding surveillance and rescue techniques, and in lifesaving procedures.

Ability to work in emergency situations, to collect and account for revenue, and to communicate effectively.

REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR Licensure

Must obtain first aid, CPR, and lifeguard certifications from an agency-approved organization within 30 days of employment.