

SANITATION WORKER II

General Statement of Duties

Performs responsible unskilled manual work in the collection of garbage, recyclables, and refuse in the Public Works Department.

Distinguishing Features of the Class

Employees in this class perform manual labor involving the collection of refuse, recyclables, and garbage. Employees load trash from curbsides as well as substitute on residential routes for absent equipment operators. Work requires that the employee be able to perform heavy manual work continuously over an extended period of time in varying and hostile weather conditions. Work also includes working around and in sometimes heavy traffic conditions. Work is performed under regular supervision and is evaluated through observation and inspection to determine the thoroughness in carrying out assigned duties.

Illustrative Examples of Work

- Works as a member of a refuse or trash collection crew to load trash, debris, and junked furniture and appliances from roadsides.
- Operates or assists in operating a limb chipping machine to remove limbs and leaves from residential areas.
- Collects and sorts recyclable newspapers, aluminum cans, and glass into bins as part of a crew.
- Cleans area around cans and picks up loose trash and litter along street.
- Substitutes for absent equipment operators on residential garbage routes collecting garbage; operates hydraulic packer mechanism.
- Performs related tasks as required.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Working knowledge of the occupational hazards of working in traffic and with garbage and refuse.
- Ability to perform continuous heavy manual work at a steady pace and under various and hostile weather conditions.
- Ability to work cooperatively as a team member and respond courteously to citizens.
- Ability to understand and follow specific oral and written instructions.

Desirable Education and Experience

Ability to read and write and some experience with garbage collection or any combination of education and experience that produces the required knowledge, skills, and abilities listed above.

Special Requirement

Possession of a valid appropriate North Carolina driver's license.