

**CLASS TITLE:****SANITARIAN**

Class Code: 02902200

Pay Grade: 23A

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**CLASS DEFINITION:**

**GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:** As assigned., and in accordance with prescribed instructions and established standards, to make a variety of inspections and investigations of environmental health conditions and practices throughout the State; to report unsanitary conditions, and to make reinvestigations to ensure that corrective measures have been taken; and to do related work as required.

**SUPERVISION RECEIVED:** Works under the supervision of a superior from whom instructions are received concerning policies and objectives; work reports are subject to review for adequacy and determination of remedial action necessary; thoroughness of inspections is periodically reviewed by a superior.

**SUPERVISION EXERCISED:** As required, may supervise the work subordinates assigned to assist.

**ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED:**

As assigned, to inspect food handling, food manufacturing and processing establishments and meat and meat food processing plants; to check the sanitary condition of building interior, cleanliness of equipment, refrigeration of perishable foodstuffs, adequacy and safety of water supply, utensil washing facilities, toilet facilities, waste disposal methods and cleanliness of food handlers; to enforce the pertinent provisions of the Rhode Island Food Drugs and Cosmetics Act: to investigate causation of impurities and adulterations of food products; to inspect public and private schools, institutions, tourist cabins, motels campgrounds, trailer parks and bath houses; or

As assigned, to be present and inspect all animals slaughtered for human consumption, and to condemn unfit meat, to inspect dairies, milk pasteurization plants and ice cream plants; to enforce pertinent provisions of the Rhode Island Food, Drugs and Cosmetics Act; to investigate causation of impurities and adulteration of food products; or,

As assigned, to inspect public and private water supplies, sewage and waste disposal systems and public and private beaches and swimming pools; to assist a superior in making tests relating to water pollution control, chemical tests of water and sewage, industrial waste samples and of miscellaneous samples of water and shellfish; or,

As assigned, to inspect public and private solid waste disposal sites; to perform field analyses of water bodies in close proximity to such sites and to determine that proper safeguards are taken to prevent water pollution; to determine that toxic, flammable pathogenic or explosive substances are disposed of properly; to determine that proper measures are taken to control such vector nuisances as rats or insects; or,

As assigned, to make inspections and investigations to ascertain the adequacy of environmental health conditions in any other comparable level programs.

To investigate complaints of nuisances and unsanitary conditions, and to suggest corrective measures.

To take samples of materials or products inspected for further analysis by laboratory personnel.

To prepare reports of inspections and investigations containing findings, conclusions and corrective recommendations.

To do related work as required.

**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT:**

**KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND CAPACITIES:** A working knowledge of the basic principles, practices and techniques of environmental sanitation and the ability to apply such knowledge in making a variety of inspections and investigations to determine environmental health conditions and practices throughout the State; a familiarity with state public health laws, rules and regulations; the ability to prepare reports containing findings, conclusions and corrective recommendations; the ability to assist

superiors in making physical tests and simple, routine chemical tests in the field, as required; the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with associates, superiors, and the public; and related capacities and abilities.

**EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

Education: Such as may have been gained through: graduation from a college of recognized standing including major courses in the Biological Sciences, in Sanitary Science, in Chemistry, or courses closely related to environmental sanitation,.

Or, any combination of education and experience that shall be substantially equivalent to the above education and experience.

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