



SCOUT VEHICLE OPERATOR

DEFINITION

Occupants of this classification are in the classified service. They are responsible for collecting refuse (solid waste, mixed recycling and organics) using specialized vehicles to service pedestrian cans, pull and return refuse bins from and to subterranean garages and other locations inaccessible to heavy refuse vehicles.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

The positions assigned to this classification report to the Solid Waste and Recycling Crew Supervisor.

ESSENTIAL JOB DUTIES

The following tasks are essential for this position. Incumbents in this classification may perform similar related tasks not listed here.

1. Picks up waste from refuse containers and empties into refuse collection vehicles. Replaces the refuse containers in their original location.
2. Operates specialized motor equipment (ranging from a medium duty cargo van to a scooter) to pull refuse containers out of subterranean garages for collection, or to pick up regular scheduled or unscheduled collections.
3. Maintains and repairs refuse collection equipment. Coordinates the delivery and removal of containers with customers and other refuse collection personnel.
4. Performs routine and regular cleaning and servicing of assigned specialized vehicles. Performs a daily operations check of the specialized vehicle. May be assigned duties servicing the vehicles such as adding oil, water, and hydraulic fluid.
5. Maintains pedestrian can and recycle sites.
6. Performs bulk pick up service.
7. Tags and reports sanitation ordinance violations on the assigned route.

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITY

Knowledge of:

- Safe work practices as they relate to the hazardous situations encountered in the normal course of work.
- Proper lifting techniques when handling heavy or bulky items.

Skill and Ability to:

- Learn applicable ordinances, codes, rules, and regulations regarding refuse collection and disposal.
- Maintain effective working relationships with fellow employees and the general public.

- Communicate professionally with the public, fellow employees and supervisors. , .
- Use proper judgment in maneuvering the vehicle to move bins.
- Follow written and oral directions.

LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE

Possession of a valid California Class C driver's license.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Any combination equivalent to training and experience that could likely provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities would be qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge, skills, and abilities would be: Graduation from high school or equivalent and six (6) months experience performing heavy manual labor.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS AND WORKING CONDITIONS

- Require the mobility to stand, stoop, reach, and bend. Require mobility of arms to reach and dexterity of hands to grasp and manipulate small objects.
- Perform work which involves the continuous lifting, pushing and/or pulling of objects which may approximate 25 pounds, frequently approximate 50 pounds, and may occasionally weigh over 100 pounds.
- Require the ability to stand for long periods and to walk long distances.
- May be required to work in inclement weather without effective protection from sun, cold and rain. May be required to wear protective apparel - goggles, face protectors, aprons, shoes, and breathing apparatus.
- May be required to work within enclosed spaces or at heights above ground level.
- May be required to work with harsh and toxic substances, around foul odors and loud noise.
- May be required to work around moving mechanical parts and electrical current.