

LIFEGUARD CAPTAIN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision, an incumbent is responsible for the training, control, and supervision of lifeguards, for maintenance of the bathing area, and for the safety of persons swimming or otherwise using the recreational facilities of the pool or beach area. Incumbents are responsible for supervising daily pool operations including, supervising lifeguard staff, maintaining the facility, planning and conducting in-service training for staff in aerobics, learn to swim, aquatic exercise, etc. Does related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Arranges or participates in arrangement of Life Guard Duty schedules;

Supervises enforcement of beach and pool regulations;

Supervises and participates in cleaning of bathing area prior to and during operating hours;

Schedules, monitors and participates with Red Cross Instructors in training Life Guards in water safety principles and use of life saving equipment;

Maintains discipline among Life Guards;

Supervises and performs rescue operations, traveling to bathers in danger by means of swimming, rescue boat, rescue board, etc. and follows rescue procedures;

Supervises and administers first aid or CPR as professional rescuer, to victims of an emergency, within limits of training;

Patrols beach or pool during operating hours.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Thorough knowledge of principles of water safety; good knowledge of first aid and CPR as professional rescuer; strong swimming skills; ability to meet and deal with the public effectively; ability to understand and carry out oral and written directions; good judgment; initiative; courtesy; resourcefulness; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Two seasons as a lifeguard.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Incumbents must possess a current Water Safety Instructor's, Lifeguard Instructor's, or Head Lifeguard Instructor's certificate and a current life-guarding certificate from one or more of the following: American Red Cross; American Heart Association; YMCA; or Boy Scouts of America; and must also maintain current certifications in first aid and CPR as a professional rescuer. In addition, candidates must pass a practical test administered by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation.