

## PEST CONTROLLER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under supervision, an incumbent performs a wide variety of journeyman level pest control, keeping county facilities free of harmful pests, noxious animals, birds, insects, vermin, weeds, etc. The incumbent must be knowledgeable about pests and pest identification and knowledgeable about a wide variety of pest control methods, including Integrated Pest Management and the employment of the least toxic means available. The incumbent must understand toxicity, proper handling of materials and county, OSHA and NYS DEC regulations concerning their use. The incumbent may function as a lead worker on specific projects or as part of a crew and may supervise a number of lower level maintenance and labor employees. The journeyman may assist in planning and making estimates of materials costs and staffing requirements. The journeyman has the responsibility for determining methods, techniques, materials and devices best suited to complete projects. Work at this grade may be completed with little or no check during progress or on completion. Supervisor may check overall work to see that it meets trade standards. Does related work as required.

### EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Plans and follows a regular schedule of inspection, prevention and control;

Implements Integrated Pest Management to prevent and control pests, employing non-toxic or least toxic means available;

Inspects areas for infestation; monitors areas for problems and evaluates the situation;

Selects and uses the most effective barriers, insecticides, rodenticides, baits, traps, etc. appropriate to the infestation and site;

Prepares materials and chooses an appropriate method of application;

Operates electronic, manual or power spraying equipment, as appropriate;

Sets traps and bait boxes;

Prepares reports, including records of equipment usage, work schedules and control operations performed, maintaining chemical use records in accordance with NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and Westchester County laws and regulations;

May order supplies and maintain inventory;

Participates in the evaluation of the effectiveness of methods and recommends improved procedures and materials;

Informs individuals of methods of decreasing the likelihood of infestations and locations where problems are apt to occur;

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only) (Continued)

Prepares and cleans equipment and maintains work area in a safe, clean and orderly manner;

Uses computer applications or other automated systems such as spreadsheet, word processing, calendar, e-mail and database software in performing work assignments.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Thorough knowledge of modern methods and materials of vermin and pest control and extermination, with an emphasis on Integrated Pest Management strategies; through knowledge of and ability to strictly adhere to the safety precautions of the trade; good knowledge of biological, chemical, mechanical and natural controls and their various applications; familiarity with life cycles and sources of pest infestations, as well as how seasonal changes affect different species; ability to work without direct supervision; ability to follow written instructions; ability to prepare and maintain required reports; ability to determine the best solution to the problem at hand; ability to effectively use computer applications such as spreadsheets, word processing, calendar, e-mail and database software; good judgment; accuracy; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Either (a) High School or equivalency diploma and four years of full time experience where the primary function of the position was in pest control; or (b) eight years of full time experience where the primary function of the position was in pest control; or (c) a satisfactory equivalent combination of training and experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S):

1. Applicant must be certified as a Pesticide Applicator by the State of New York; minimum certification must include: 7A (g1), Structural and Rodent Control.
2. Possession of a valid license to operate a motor vehicle in New York State.
3. Must meet standards of OSHA regulation (29 CFR 1910.134) Respiratory Protection and NYSDOL PESH (Title 12, Chapt. 11, Sub. A, Part 800) and subsequent revisions of each and will be required to meet Federal, State and local standards with respect to health and safety.

NOTE: Unless otherwise noted, only experience gained after attaining the minimum education level indicated in the minimum qualifications will be considered in evaluating experience.

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