

SENIOR LIFEGUARD

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Must be at least 18 years of age AND have two (2) seasons of lifeguard experience.

REQUIREMENTS AT TIME OF APPOINTMENT:

- 1) Possession of a current American Red Cross Basic Life Support for the professional rescuer CPR/AED, or equivalent certification; AND
- 2) Possession of a current Lifeguard Training Certificate from a certifying agency (such as the American Red Cross, Boy Scouts, YMCA) acceptable to the Department of Health; AND

WATERFRONT LIFEGUARDING: Requires American Red Cross Lifeguard Waterfront Module.

NOTE: CPR Certifications, for use in bathing facilities, must be renewed annually in accordance with New York State Department of Health regulations.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for supervising and assisting lifeguards in performing routine patrol work at the municipal swimming and wading pools including assigning lifeguards to their stations. Work is performed under the general supervision of a higher ranking employee of the Recreation Department. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Plans, supervises and instructs lifeguards assigned to swimming and wading pools;  
Stands watch protecting bathers and goes to their aid when necessary;  
Assists in planning, directing and supervising the swimming instruction program;  
Teaches in the swimming instruction program;  
Enforces rules and regulations pertaining to pool or wading areas;  
Assists in operating chlorine and other swimming pool equipment;  
Regularly tests pool water to insure proper sanitary regulations;  
Keeps records and makes reports as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of first aid, lifesaving and rescue work as applied to accidents in the water; ability to plan and supervise the work of lifeguards and other subordinate personnel; ability to swim well; ability to establish and carry out preventive water safety precautions, to react to emergencies and take effective action; ability to establish and maintain effective public relations; good observation; mental alertness; good moral character; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

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CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION: NON-COMPETITIVE