

LANDFILL OPERATOR

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

This position involves responsibility for operating heavy machinery to prepare and maintain a municipal landfill and other duties related to landfill operation such as inspection of daily refuse disposal for hazardous materials and operating a recycling truck. An incumbent also may operate heavy machinery in support of public works projects. The work is performed according to Federal, State, county and local laws and regulations. The work is performed under the direct supervision of the Sanitation Supervisor with some freedom allowed to exercise independent judgement in carrying out the work. An incumbent exercises no supervision. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Operates light, medium and heavy equipment associated with unloading refuse and waste, preparing burial pits, grading, compacting and covering of solid waste;

Monitors the transfer station/recycling drop-off center operations to ensure local policies are enforced including inspecting incoming loads of refuse and waste for hazardous materials;

Performs basic maintenance of equipment associated with landfill operation;

Develops and maintains a compost site including piling of compost, monitoring temperature, and turning of compost when necessary;

Constructs and grades roads within the landfill including hauling road materials and plows snow from landfill roads as required;

Operates a tub grinder to chip cut trees and branches;

Operates a recycling truck on city streets as required;

Loads and unloads vehicles;

Operates heavy equipment in support of public works projects as required;

Advises the public regarding landfill regulations;

Maintains basic records of equipment fuel consumption and repairs as well as daily landfill activities.

LANDFILL OPERATOR –contd.**FULL PERFORMANCE, KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

Good knowledge of the principles, practices and equipment involved in the operation and maintenance of a landfill including disposal of hazardous materials;

Working knowledge of the Federal, State, county and local laws and regulations governing landfill operations;

Working knowledge of city streets and recyclable collection practices and procedures;

Working knowledge of record keeping;

Ability to operate heavy machinery;

Ability to perform basic equipment maintenance;

Ability to understand written and oral instructions;

Ability to communicate with the public;

Ability to maintain records.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and one (1) year of experience operating heavy machinery.

Additional Requirements:

Possession of a New York State Class B Driver's License at time of appointment.

Completion of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Solid Waste Management Course within one year of appointment.