

MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

TOMPKINS COUNTY

Department Public Works, Towns, Villages

Classification Non-Competitive

Labor Grade H (8)

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By HH, Commissioner of Personnel

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

This is manual work involving responsibility for the safe and efficient operation of various types of motor equipment and the performance of manual duties related to the operation of the equipment. The work also involves the performance of a variety of unskilled labor tasks. This class is distinguished from that of Heavy Equipment Operator in that the work primarily involves the operation of motor equipment that is not classified as heavy equipment. The Motor Equipment Operator may, however, operate heavy equipment on a relief or trainee basis. The work is performed under general supervision with some leeway allowed for the exercise of independent judgment. Supervision may be exercised over the work of Laborers or others on specific tasks. The incumbent will perform all related duties as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Operates a truck in connection with the removal of snow and refuse, and the transportation of stone, gravel, and supplies;
Operates a tractor with mowing attachments or a truck with a snow loader, snow plow, or other attachments;
Operates other street construction equipment;
Performs preventative maintenance of department equipment;
Performs manual labor such as loading trucks, digging ditches, cutting trees and brush, flushing sewers, cleaning culverts, and raking blacktop and chipping wood;
May supervise others, as specific tasks require.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the operation of tractors, trucks and other automotive equipment;
Good knowledge of the geography of the area;
Ability to understand and follow simple oral and written directions;
Mechanical aptitude;
Willingness to respond to emergencies and perform overtime work;
Willingness to work outside under adverse weather conditions;
Dependability;
Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Possession of a valid New York State Commercial Driver's License, Class A or B, at the time of application and maintenance of such license for the duration of employment.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE TOWN OF ITHACA AND TOMPKINS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

The candidate must possess a valid New York State Commercial Driver's License, Class A or B at the time of application. There can be no Air Brakes restriction listed at the time of application. The candidate is also expected to demonstrate the ability to safely and effectively operate a heavy truck, which utilizes a manual transmission. The incumbent must possess a Tank endorsement (N) within 90 days of appointment. The employee must maintain the CDL and appropriate endorsements for the duration of employment. Failure to maintain the required license may result in termination of the employment situation.

NOTE: An incumbent in this title may be assigned to either the Bostwick Road or Caswell Road location based on operational needs.