

SOLID WASTE GATE ATTENDANT

DEFINITION

Under direct supervision, to perform a variety of assignments and duties involved in the daily operation and maintenance of the County's solid waste and recycling facilities; to assist with the monitoring and inspection of incoming waste loads; to operate, maintain, and perform minor repairs to assigned tools and equipment; to maintain storage and stockpile areas; to collect and transport recyclable materials; to assist the public in a prompt, tactful and courteous manner; to perform routine litter control and grounds maintenance duties; and, to perform other job related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This is the entry level in the Solid Waste Facility Worker Class series. Incumbents in this classification are responsible for the daily grounds maintenance, litter control activities and recycling programs associated with the County Solid Waste Division.

REPORTS TO

Landfill Supervisor or Solid Waste Superintendent

CLASSIFICATIONS DIRECTLY SUPERVISED

None

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Duties may include but are not limited to the following:

- Perform daily litter control and routine grounds maintenance tasks.
- Assist with minor construction and repair of site facilities.
- Install, maintain, and repair traffic control devices and warning signs as directed.
- Install, maintain, and repair litter control devices as directed.
- Remove and properly dispose of litter and windblown debris throughout the facility and around sit perimeters, including areas extending beyond property boundaries.
- Assist with placement of synthetic tarps or other mechanisms used as alternative daily cover over the active working face of the landfill.
- Inspect incoming loads and remove and manage salvage items as directed, including waste tires and white goods.
- Perform random physical load inspections, record findings, handle hazardous and other prohibited waste detected in the load in accordance with the County's Load Checking Program.
- Assist with the control of traffic entering, exiting, and operating within the facility.
- Provide instruction and direct customers to the appropriate unloading area(s).
- Maintain facility stockpiles and storage areas, including tires, white goods, scrap metals, hazardous waste, recyclables, used motor oil, and other items as directed.
- Collect and transport recyclable materials from County facilities
- Provide routine cleaning and maintenance of the weight scale and/or trash compactors.
- Operate, clean, and care for hand tools and landfill equipment.

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- Perform routine maintenance and repair tasks on equipment.
- Report on status of supplies.
- Perform emergency response measure according to established procedures in the event of fire or other emergency conditions.
- Perform related duties as assigned.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Sit for extended periods; frequently stand, walk, stoop, kneel, and crouch; physical ability to lift and carry objects weighing up to 50 pounds unassisted and greater than 50 pounds with assistance, normal manual dexterity and hand-eye coordination; corrected hearing and vision to normal range; verbal communication; use of equipment including hand and power tools, hydraulic equipment, and telephones.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS

Work is performed outdoors in varying temperature, severe weather, and humidity condition; work is performed in environment with constant noise; exposure to fumes, dust, grease, and oils, exposure to moving equipment; exposure to electrical current; exposure to controlled and hazardous substances, pesticides; herbicides, paints, and chemicals; frequent contact with staff and the public. Incumbents are subject to working after hours, evenings, weekends, holidays, and call-outs.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Vehicle classification and load capacities.
- Basic arithmetic.
- Occupational hazards and safe work practices.

Ability and willingness to:

- Learn, interpret, understand, and apply pertinent laws, codes, regulations, policies, and procedures.
- Explain and enforce rules, regulations, policies, and procedures in a tactful and courteous manner.
- Follow established safe work rules, practices, policies, and procedures.
- Perform a variety of unskilled and semi-skilled tasks in the maintenance and operation of County landfills and transfer stations.
- Perform heavy physical labor.
- Operate all required equipment, tools, and vehicles;
- Clean, maintain, and make basic repairs to equipment and tools.
- Recognize and locate conditions that require maintenance and repair work.
- Identify hazardous wastes and apply established procedures for their proper handling.
- Identify recyclable and salvageable materials and apply established procedures for their proper handling.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships.
- Understand and accurately follow oral and written directions.

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Training and Experience:

Any combination of training and experience that would provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

Prior experience as a landfill laborer or in the construction trades as a laborer.

Special Requirements:

High school diploma or GED equivalent.
Possession of a valid California driver's license.

This job specification should not be construed to imply that these requirements are the exclusive standards of the position. Not all duties are necessarily performed by each incumbent. Additionally, incumbents will be required to follow instructions and to perform other job related duties as may be required.