

MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Incumbents of this class operate a variety of self-propelled equipment in the construction, repair and maintenance of highways and bridges, and maintain their equipment by performing specific routine maintenance tasks. Motor equipment operators (MEO's), as members of a work crew, are characterized by both the performance of laboring tasks and the operation of self-propelled equipment such as all trucks, front end loaders, backhoes; road graders, tractor mowers, rollers, bituminous sprayers, catch basin cleaners, self-propelled loaders and snowplows with or without wing attachments, sanders, rotary snow plows, self-propelled sweepers, bulldozers, bituminous pavers, pavement striper, and widener. Incumbents may act as a lead worker in a small crew providing advice and assistance to crewmembers. Incumbents are supervised by a Crew Chief or similar level supervisor. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Operates one or more of the machines mentioned above for highway and bridge construction, repair and maintenance projects;

Performs tasks indigenous to assigned machine according to instructions received from supervisor;

Operates a bituminous paver, rollers, self-propelled sweepers, and front end loaders;

Operates all trucks to transport material crews, or equipment;

Operates trucks with plow, wing and spreader attachments to simultaneously plow snow and control ice;

Operates a Vactor truck to remove dirt and debris from catch basins and drop inlets;

Maintains daily record of work performed and materials used;

Performs routine maintenance and repairs on machine, both in-the-field and in-the-shop, to insure safe and efficient operations including washing, adding or changing fluids, changing spark plugs, filters, tires and other minor equipment;

Assists mechanic and blacksmith in equipment repair;

May operate the lo-boy tractor-trailer unit.

Performs tasks and activities listed for Laborer class;

Picks up and delivers tools, requisitions, vouchers, parts, purchase orders, payrolls, etc., as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the operation of a variety of self-propelled equipment; good knowledge of the Vehicle and Traffic Law as it applies to the safe and legal operation of the assigned equipment; good knowledge of the routine repair and maintenance work needed by equipment; ability to operate assigned machine in safe and effective manner; ability to understand and follow simple oral and written instructions; ability to perform routine repairs and maintenance on equipment; ability to perform medium to heavy physical labor; physically capable of performing the essential functions of the position with or without reasonable accommodation.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Six (6) months of work experience in the operation of self-propelled highway maintenance equipment noted above.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

Possession of a valid New York State Commercial Driver's License (CDL) appropriate for Class of vehicle operated.

NOTE: Verifiable part-time and/or volunteer experience will be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements