

DEPARTMENT: NORTH TONAWANDA PUBLIC WORKS
CLASSIFICATION: NON-COMPETITIVE APPROVED STATE CSC 05/19/2003
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WASTEWATER MAINTENANCE WORKER (North Tonawanda)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for performing manual work in a variety of preventative maintenance, repair and installation activities in the extension, maintenance and repair of the municipal storm and sanitary wastewater collection system. Employees may also be assigned other duties in the department including the operation of specialized motor equipment in performance of assigned tasks. The work is performed under the direct supervision of a higher level supervisor. The incumbent exercises independent judgment in carrying out the technical details of the job. Supervision is exercised over the work of laborers. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

1. Operates mechanical equipment including backhoe, air compressors, drills, thawing, and combination of sewer rod, high pressure nozzle and vacuum machines;
2. Responds to emergency repair calls;
3. Raises or lowers manholes for paving purposes;
4. Cleans, repairs and maintains storm and sanitary sewers and catch basins;
5. Builds and repairs manholes and catch basins;
6. Removes obstructions debris, grease and tree roots from sewers with sewer rods or high pressure water stream;
7. Makes connections on main pipelines for house laterals;
8. Open laterals in emergencies;
9. Removes catch basin grates for installation and removal of water pressure operated sewer cleaning tools;
10. Cleans catch basis with vacuum hoses;
11. Participates in excavation, pipe installation and back-fill activities in connection with above work;
12. May operate a truck in connection with above work;
13. May operate tapping machines, pumps, compressors, air hammers and caulking guns.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the common practices, principles, terminology and safety precautions used in the maintenance and extension of a municipal sewage collection system; good knowledge of the use of tools and equipment required in the construction and repair of a municipal sewage system; ability to perform heavy manual labor for extended periods, occasionally under adverse weather conditions; ability to operate a variety of motor equipment; ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions; willingness to report for emergencies; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

One year of experience assisting in plumbing work or in the maintenance of a public or private wastewater collection system.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of the appropriate Federal and State Motor Vehicle Operator licenses.