

SENIOR WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR

Code No. 6-19-060
COMPETITIVE
(part time NC for All Towns)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is a senior water safety position responsible for providing swimming instructions to youths and adults in swimming methods and water safety techniques as part of a continuing education, recreation or school district instructional program. The employee ensures swimmers receive instruction in a safe manner and supervises the appropriate training of subordinate water safety staff. The employee reports directly to, and works under general supervision of, a Recreation Supervisor or other appropriate staff member. General supervision may be exercised over subordinate staff. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (All need not be performed in a given position. Other related activities may be performed although not listed.)

Instructs youth and adults in swimming methods and water safety techniques;

Monitors actions during swimming lessons to provide assistance to swimmers and prevent accidents;

Cautions swimmers regarding unsafe swimming practices;

Completes accident reports;

Supervises the instructional work of junior/water safety instructors.

DEPENDING ON ASSIGNMENT:

Applies resuscitation and other lifesaving techniques in emergency situations only to assist primary Lifeguard on duty.

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

Good knowledge of water safety practices and proper swimming instruction techniques; good knowledge of the use and care of lifesaving equipment; ability to swim well and to make surface dives; ability to provide swim instructions and water safety practices; ability to supervise water safety instruction of subordinate staff; ability to keep simple records and prepare simple written reports; ability to correct unsafe swimming practices; ability to assist the Lifeguard on duty with rescuing swimmers and applying resuscitation and first aid; visual acuity; good judgment; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of a current Water Safety Instructor certificate issued by the American Red Cross.

DEPENDING ON ASSIGNMENT: Possession of a current Lifeguard Training Certificate issued by the American Red Cross AND a current Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Certificate, Community CPR Certificate, or CPR for the Professional Rescuer or equivalent certifications by a recognized certifying agency acceptable to the New York State Department of Health at the time of appointment.

If you are appointed, you will be required to have a valid license to operate a motor vehicle in New York State or otherwise demonstrate your capacity to meet the transportation needs of the job.

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