

# EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

## JOB OBJECTIVES

Operate heavy **construction** and maintenance **equipment** in a variety of maintenance activities including excavating, grading, trenching, sanitation collection and street cleaning, and related operations according to required standards; and perform semi-skilled and skilled maintenance tasks.

### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receive general supervision from higher level supervisory and management staff.

Exercise no supervision.

POSITION ACCOUNTABILITIES - May include, but are not limited to, the following:

Operate heavy **construction equipment** such as bulldozers, cranes, sewer roders, vactors, large trucks, front-end loaders, self-contained patch trucks, water truck, asphalt laydown machine, concrete truck, oil distribution truck, milling machine for a variety of **construction** and maintenance operations involving streets, sidewalks, curbs, ditches, gutters, alleys, storm drains and sanitation services.

May operate under adverse conditions, working around electrical lines, natural gas lines, and water lines.

Operate a small backhoe to dig ditches and gutters; operate a street sweeper as required.

Break out and load asphalt and concrete onto large dump trucks.

Operate a packer truck and load refuse and brush; dispose refuse at local landfill; perform street cleaning duties as required.

Load water at fire hydrants; operate a variety of power tools including concrete saws, chain saws and jack hammers.

Identify **equipment** needs for each assigned project.

Perform additional **construction** and maintenance tasks such as concrete work, truck driving, asphalt spreading and patching, jack hammering and a variety of repair activities when **equipment** is not in use.

Install traffic cones and barricades; route and control traffic around work site. Perform related duties as assigned.

CRITICAL SKILLS/EXPERTISE - needed to complete position accountabilities

## JOB DESCRIPTION

Knowledge of:

Operation and maintenance requirements of trucks and heavy power-driven **equipment**.

Practices, methods, and materials used in **construction**, maintenance, and sanitation work.

Traffic laws, ordinances, regulations, and safety rules involved in truck and heavy **equipment** operations.

Safe work practices.

Ability to:

Operate a variety of complex heavy power-driven **equipment**.

Perform a variety of semi-skilled and skilled **construction** and maintenance tasks.

Learn the geography and street system of the City.

Perform maintenance on assigned **equipment** in an efficient, safe manner.

Understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Work independently or in a crew situation, as assigned.

Perform the physical requirements of the position.

Establish and maintain cooperative-working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Experience and Training:

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

Experience:

Two years of increasingly responsible experience performing maintenance and **construction** work

involving the operation of heavy **equipment**.

Training:

Equivalent to the completion of the twelfth grade supplemented by applicable training in **equipment** operation and maintenance.

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Physical Requirements:

Exerting up to 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects.

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Work Environment:

Position is subject to outside environmental conditions: No effective protection from weather. Position may be subject to extreme heat or cold for periods of more than one hour.

Position is subject to hazards: Proximity to moving mechanical parts, electrical current, exposure to chemicals, etc.

Position is subject to noise and/or vibration.

License or Certificate:

Possession of, or ability to obtain, an appropriate, valid Arizona driver's license.

All street and sanitation positions require a commercial driver's license.

Possession of, or ability to obtain, an appropriate, valid Arizona Water and/or Wastewater Certificate for specific positions.

Possession of a forklift certificate issued by the State of Arizona is required for specific positions.