

DEPARTMENT: NORTH TONAWANDA WATER DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFICATION: NON-COMPETITIVE
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SENIOR WATER MAINTENANCE WORKER
(North Tonawanda)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for leading and participating in the performance of a variety of skilled activities in connection with the construction, maintenance and repair of water mains, services and hydrants.

This class differs from that of Water Maintenance Worker by the complexity of assignments and leading a crew of maintenance personnel. The work is performed under the general supervision of a Water Department Supervisor. Supervision may be exercised over the work of helpers or laborers. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Leads and participates in the installation and maintenance of water mains, valves, fire hydrants and service lines;
Makes residential and commercial taps on city water lines;
Flushes, removes, repairs and installs fire hydrants;
Sets, repairs, raises and lowers gate boxes;
Participates in excavation and backfill activities;
Investigates, locates and repairs leaks in water mains and services;
Investigates complaints from customers and refers them to supervisor;
Maintains tools, supplies and equipment and takes simple inventories;
May operate backhoe and truck in the excavation and backfill activities;
May read water meters.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the practices, tools and equipment used in the construction, maintenance and repair of water mains, valves, fire hydrants and service lines;
Ability to operate moderately complex motor equipment;
Ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions;
Ability to lead and motivate subordinate maintenance personnel;
Mechanical aptitude;
Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Three years of experience in plumbing or in the maintenance of water or sewer distribution lines.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

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