



Town of Lake Park

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position: Sanitation Truck Operator I

Department: Public Works

Pay Grade: 40

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Job Summary:

Under the supervision of the Sanitation Foreman, the Sanitation Truck Operator I is responsible for the safe and effective operation of various residential sanitation collection vehicles. These include, but are not limited to, side and rear-load garbage packers and trash trucks with an attached grapple boom. Operators are expected to ensure efficient waste collection services and maintain operational and safety standards.

Essential Job Functions:

- Operate equipment for curbside garbage, recycling, and bulk trash pickup.
- Assist in the loading, hauling, and transferring of garbage and other materials.
- Perform routine inspections, cleaning, fueling, and preventive maintenance of assigned vehicles and equipment.
- Follow established routes and schedules to ensure timely waste collection.
- Report any safety hazards, vehicle malfunctions, or service issues to the supervisor.
- Provide courteous and professional service to residents and respond to inquiries as needed.
- Adhere to all occupational safety rules and regulations.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.
- Respond to emergency call-ins, including hurricanes and other critical events.

Qualifications:

- **Education and Experience:**
 - High school diploma or equivalent preferred.
 - Minimum of one (1) year of relevant experience driving air brake-equipped commercial vehicles and/or equipment.
- **Certifications:**
 - Valid Florida Class B Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with air brake endorsement.
 - No loss of driving privileges due to revocation, suspension, or denial of license within the past 24 months.
 - No convictions or adjudications withheld of three (3) or more moving violations in the previous 24 months.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Comprehensive knowledge of occupational safety rules and sanitation operation practices.
- Skill in operating and performing maintenance inspections of light and heavy equipment.
- Proficiency in navigating residential and commercial areas with sanitation vehicles.
- Strong verbal communication skills to effectively interact with supervisors, coworkers, and customers.

- Ability to perform strenuous work in all weather conditions.

Physical Demands:

- Heavy work requires occasional exertion of up to 100 pounds occasionally, 50 pounds frequently, and 20 pounds.
- Required physical abilities include balancing, climbing, crouching, grasping, handling, hearing, lifting, pulling, pushing, standing, stooping, talking, and walking.

Work Environment:

- Work performed in an environment with heavy equipment and machinery, with potential exposure to adverse conditions such as weather, noise, and waste materials.
- Compliance with all Town safety policies and procedures is required.

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