

ANIMAL CONTROL SPECIALIST I

GRADE: 04

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Employee performs entry-level animal control work. Work involves pickup and impound of stray and/or dangerous animals. Investigate reports of animal bites and dangerous or vicious animals. Safely and humanely capture and transport animals, including those who are sick, injured or potentially dangerous. Perform field tranquilization on ill, injured or dangerous domestic animals or wildlife.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Respond to observed or reported emergency situations and ordinance violations

Write reports and record data on appropriate log/forms

Dispatch service/trouble calls to field personnel

Answer citizen questions and provide assistance

Counsel/educate citizens regarding responsible animal ownership/ordinance requirements (leash law, registration, animal behavior, etc.)

Issue citations

Clean and maintain equipment, tools, etc.

Clean, feed and care for animals

Euthanize animals when necessary

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

Experience and Education

Graduation from a standard high school or equivalent, plus one (1) year experience in related field with direct contact with animals.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Knowledge of county area and roads, etc.

Knowledge of laws, regulations and ordinances concerning licensing and impounding of animals

Skill in safely handling animals, including those with unknown temperament

Skill in establishing and maintaining good working relationships with other county employees and the public

Registration Certification or Licensure

Valid Texas Class C drivers' license

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to stand. The employee is occasionally required to walk; sit; use hands to find, handle, or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop and kneel.

The employee must occasionally lift and/or move over 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounter while performing the essential functions of this job.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:

Maintain physical conditions appropriate to the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities which may include the following:

- π sitting for extended periods of time
- π operating assigned equipment

Maintain mental capacity which permits:

- π making sound decisions and using good judgment
- π demonstrating intellectual capabilities

Effectively handle a work environment and conditions which involve:

- π working closely with others
- π working in a multi-task environment

Maintain effective audio-visual discrimination and perception needed for:

CLERK III**GRADE: 05****GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

Performs complex (journey-level) clerical work in areas such as bookkeeping, inventory control, statistics, employment, human resources, purchasing, and accounting; Work involves compiling and tabulating data, checking documents for accuracy, transporting documents and/or stock and inventory, and maintaining files; Works under general supervision with moderate latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Produces and proofs correspondence, reports, purchase orders, summaries, manuals, vouchers, records, and other related forms

Answers inquiries regarding procedures and policies, assists the public and staff in filling out forms, and assembles and mails information packets

Posts information to agency records and modifies forms or records

Assembles, organizes, and tabulates data; and may compile and tabulate data, and prepare charts, graphs, and tables

Maintains files, materials, and supplies

Opens, stamps, classifies, sorts, and routes mail, and maintains records on postage, registered mail, and packages

Performs data entry, retrieval, and data searches

Receives, stores, and issues stock items

May perform arithmetic computations

May maintain office schedules and appointments

May perform back-up receptionist or telephone switchboard duties

May receive and forward payments to the appropriate agency staff

May screen applicants, administer employment tests, and assist in orienting employees

May arrange the scheduling, transfer, and display of surplus property

May make arrangements for repairs and services

May inspect merchandise for quality and compliance with specifications

May deliver or pick up documents, supplies, equipment, or materials

Performs related work as assigned

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

Experience and Education

Two to Three (2-3) years experience in clerical work. Graduation from a standard senior high school or equivalent is generally preferred. Vocational training is preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Knowledge of business or program terminology, office procedures, spelling, punctuation, grammar, and arithmetic; of warehousing procedures; of purchasing policies and procedures; of records administration and maintenance techniques and procedures; and of state purchasing policies and procedures

Skill in using a personal computer and office equipment

MS Word and Excel

Ability to make arithmetic computations; to prepare and maintain records, files, and reports; and to transfer stock from one location to another

Registration, Certification, or Licensure

May require a valid driver's license

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- sitting for extended periods of time
- operating assigned equipment

Maintain mental capacity which permits:

- making sound decisions and using good judgment
- demonstrating intellectual capabilities

Effectively handle a work environment and conditions which involve:

- working closely with others
- working in a multi-task environment

Maintain effective audio-visual discrimination and perception needed for:

- making observations
- reading and writing
- operating assigned equipment
- communication with others
- required to follow the Hidalgo County Accident Prevention Plan and department's safety regulations