

Ferryboat Deckhand I

Salary Group: A11 Class Code: 9838

CLASS TITLE	CLASS CODE	SALARY GROUP	SALARY RANGE
FERRYBOAT DECKHAND I	9838	A11	\$32,332 - \$47,355
FERRYBOAT DECKHAND II	9839	A13	\$35,439 - \$52,388
FERRYBOAT DECKHAND III	9840	A15	\$38,976 - \$58,045

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs routine (journey-level) ferryboat deckhand work. Work involves loading and unloading vehicles and passengers onto and off a ferryboat and monitoring deck areas to ensure safety during operations. Works under close supervision, with limited latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

The Ferryboat Deckhand job classification series is intended for employees who loads and unloads vehicles and passengers onto and off a ferryboat. They also monitor deck areas for safety. In contrast, the Ferryboat Specialist job classification series does not focus on loading and unloading vehicles and passengers; rather, employees in that series are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the ferryboat. Also, the Ferryboat Captain job classification series focuses on piloting and navigating a ferryboat and ensuring the safety and welfare of a vessel, crew, passengers, vehicles, and other public property.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Loads and unloads vehicles and passengers onto and off a ferryboat.

Directs, spaces, parks and block vehicles; and ensures vehicles are parked in a safe manner and that passengers do not trespass in dangerous areas.

Operates safety gates and vehicle loading ramps.

Provides assistance to passengers and ensures that safety rules and regulations are enforced.

Monitors deck areas to ensure the security of the ferryboat, passengers, and cargo.

Reports all observations, activities, and/or matters affecting the stability, operational capacity, safety, and welfare of the ferryboat, crew, passengers, vehicles, and other public properties to the ferryboat captain.

Participates in drills and exercises covering emergencies such as fire, collision, man overboard, fog navigation, grounding, bomb threat, and childbirth.

Occupational Category: Maintenance

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Takes required actions in the event of a fire, rescue, or other emergency.

Performs minor cleaning and maintenance of deck, safety equipment, and machinery.

Assists in standing lookout watch in high-density traffic areas under all weather and sea conditions and in accordance with inland navigation rules and the rules of good seamanship.

Assists in the daily inspections of the operating condition of all emergency firefighting, lifesaving, and childbirth equipment on the ferryboat.

May assist with reading and interpreting all engine room gauges and fluid levels, and reporting any problems to the ferryboat captain.

May assist with minor renovation or repair of ferryboats, to include ferry propulsion, auxiliary, and related marine equipment.

Performs related work as assigned.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Familiarity with ferryboat transporting vehicles and passengers, and minor maintenance of marine equipment and machinery. Graduation from a standard senior high school or equivalent is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of policies and procedures relating to loading and unloading ferryboat passengers; methods and procedures used in minor maintenance in marine equipment and machinery; emergency response procedures; applicable industry safety standards, guidelines, and specification codes; and applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

Skill in the use of tools and equipment used in minor maintenance of marine equipment and machinery, and use of firefighting and lifesaving equipment.

Ability to maintain a safe working environment, to safely address emergencies, to identify equipment issues, and to communicate effectively.

REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR LICENSURE

May require specific U.S. Coast Guard certifications and/or document(s) appropriate for the vessel(s) being operated.

Must have or be able to obtain transportation worker identification credentials.