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WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR

Class Code: 5885

Open Date: 01-08-16

(Exam Open to All, including Current City Employees)

ANNUAL SALARY

\$59,779 to \$74,291; \$85,294 to \$90,055; \$87,090 to \$91,955; \$ 92,790 to \$97,968; and \$93,834 to \$99,075

NOTES:

1. For information regarding reciprocity between the City of Los Angeles departments and LADWP, go to http://per.lacity.org/Reciprocity_CityDepts_and_DWP.pdf.
2. The current salary range is subject to change. You may confirm the starting salary with the hiring department before accepting a job offer.
3. Candidates from the eligible list are normally appointed to vacancies in the lower salary range as trainees.

DUTIES

A Water Treatment Operator does skilled work in the operation, regulation, maintenance and repair of equipment used in the treatment of potable water.

NOTE:

Entry-level positions are trainee positions. A Water Treatment Operator in a training position must obtain a T3 (or higher) Water Treatment Operator license and be assigned to a permanent position within three years. A Water Treatment Operator in a trainee position receives extensive on-the-job training, which must be completed prior to assignment to a permanent position. Assignment to the highest pay grade may require higher-grade certification.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

A Water Treatment Operator may be assigned to a night shift or continuous shift requiring 10 consecutive days on shift and 4 days off. Routine assignments will be made to either the Los Angeles Aqueduct Filtration Plant or the field operations section of the Water Operations Division. Work locations include the greater Los Angeles and Owens Valley areas.

Water Treatment Operators will be required to work with hazardous chemicals. Cal/OSHA Regulations require that all employees engaged in such work must wear a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). Therefore, all Water Treatment Operators will be medically evaluated to certify that they are physically able to wear the SCBA and must be free of any facial hair that would impair a good SCBA mask-to-face seal.

REQUIREMENT

A valid T2 (or higher) Water Treatment Operator license and a D1 Water Distribution Operator License issued by the California Department of Public Health are required at the time of filing. A copy of the current Water Treatment Operator and Water Distribution Operator licenses must be submitted with the application.

NOTES:

1. Applicants must attach a copy of their Water Treatment Operator and Water Distribution Operator License to the on-line application before the application is submitted. If the Licenses are attached after the on-line application has been submitted, they will not be available to the City and the applicants will not be credited with having submitted the Licenses. Applicants who fail to submit the Licenses at the time of filing by attaching it to the on-line application will not be considered further in this examination.
2. A valid California driver's license is required. Applicants will be disqualified and not eligible for hire if their record within the last 36 months reflects three or more moving violations and/or at-fault accidents, or a conviction of a major moving violation (such as DUI).

AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

WHERE TO APPLY

Applications will only be accepted on-line. When you are viewing the on-line job bulletin of your choice, simply scroll to the top of the page and select the "Apply" icon. On-line job bulletins are also available at <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/lacity/default.cfm> for Open Competitive Examinations.

NOTE:

1. Applicants applying on-line are urged to apply early to ensure you have time to resolve any technical issues you may encounter.
2. All application materials must be complete at the time of filing for you to be considered a candidate in this examination.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications must be received by **THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016**.

SELECTION PROCESS

Examination Weight: Written Test100%

The examination score will be based entirely on the results of a written test. In the test, which will consist entirely of multiple-choice questions, candidates may be examined for knowledge of: principles, operation, and maintenance of water treatment equipment such as filters, pumps, valves, pressure vessels and high pressure storage tanks and containers, and chlorinators and evaporators; methods of performing chemical tests for residual chlorine, ozone, and pH; procedures for taking water samples; appropriate residual and treatment levels of chlorine, ozone, and other chemicals used in water treatment; federal, state, and local laws and regulations related to water treatment; basic water treatment terms, methods, and practices; water distribution practices as they affect water treatment; basic chemistry and biology; scales, instruments, and units for measurements related to water treatment such as pressure, temperature, weight, volume, and concentration of solutions; arithmetic and algebra sufficient to convert from one system of units to another; OSHA and other general safety regulations and procedures related to water treatment; and the ability to: use gauges and other standardized equipment to adjust equipment used in water treatment; use Material Safety Data Sheets while working with hazardous materials; communicate orally sufficient to discuss technical and other information with staff and the public; relate to the public pleasantly and courteously; read and interpret material sufficient to apply the information to specific situations; and other necessary skills, knowledge, and abilities.

Candidates will be notified later by e-mail of the time and location of the written test, which will be administered in a single half-day session on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016** in Los Angeles.

APPROVED CALCULATORS

Each candidate may bring one hand-held, non-programmable, non-qwerty, self-contained calculator. A voltage supply **will not** be available in the examination room. A cellular phone with calculator functions **will not** be allowed.

NOTES:

1. This examination is based on a validation study, and as provided by Civil Service Commission Rule 4.20, the written test will not be subject to candidate inspection.
2. Applications are accepted subject to review to ensure that minimum qualifications are met. Candidates may be disqualified at any time if it is determined that they do not possess the minimum qualifications stated on this bulletin.
3. A final average score of 70% is required to be placed on the eligible list.
4. Based on the Federal Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1994, you may be required to undergo mandatory drug and alcohol testing prior to and during employment in this class.
5. As a covered entity under the Fair Employment and Housing Act and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. To request a disability accommodation, please complete the Disability Accommodation Form within 14 calendar days of the submittal of the City application. The Disability Accommodation Form can be obtained at http://per.lacity.org/exams/verify_disability.pdf.
6. In accordance with Civil Service Rule, Sec. 4.24, review periods may be combined. Candidates in the examination process may file protests as provided in Sec. 4.20, 4.22 and 4.23 as applicable and within the required time frame; however, the Personnel Department may respond to and resolve protests prior to the establishment of the eligible list.

NOTICE:

If you receive and accept an offer of employment to a regular position with the City of Los Angeles, your employee benefit coverage (including health and dental coverage as well as life insurance) will commence approximately six weeks after your original regular appointment. Not all positions in the City receive benefit coverage; you should inquire regarding the availability of employee benefits prior to accepting a position.

THIS EXAMINATION IS TO BE GIVEN ONLY ON AN OPEN COMPETITIVE BASIS

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