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INSTRUMENT MECHANIC SUPERVISOR

Class Code: 3844

Open Date: 07-25-14

ANNUAL SALARY

\$100,850 (flat-rated) and \$109,724 (flat-rated).

The salary range covers multiple pay grades within the class. Candidates from the eligible list are normally appointed to vacancies in the lower pay grade positions. In some positions, a 5.5% bonus is paid for obnoxious working conditions.

The salary in the Department of Airports is \$111,854 (flat-rated).

The salary in the Department of Water and Power is \$96,277 to \$119,621

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.

DUTIES

An Instrument Mechanic Supervisor plans, acquires parts and materials, assigns, reviews and evaluates the work of Instrument Mechanics and helpers engaged in highly skilled field work in inspecting, adjusting, servicing, maintaining, overhauling, repairing and testing various automatic controls, programmable logic controllers, distributed control systems, single loop controllers, indicating and recording instruments and devices, analytical instrumentation, environmental measurement, recording and reporting equipment; applies sound supervisory principles and techniques in building, training and maintaining an effective work force; and fulfills equal employment opportunity responsibilities.

REQUIREMENT

Four years of full-time paid experience with the City of Los Angeles as an Instrument Mechanic or in a class at that level performing highly skilled field work in adjusting, repairing, and testing automatic controls and precision instruments.

NOTES:

1. Applicants who lack six months or less of the required experience may file for this examination. However, they cannot be appointed until the full experience requirement has been met.
2. A valid California driver's license is required prior to appointment. Candidates will be disqualified and not eligible for hire if within the past 36 months they were convicted of a major moving violation, such as driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, and may be disqualified if there are three or more moving violations and/or at-fault accidents within the past 36 months.
3. A City of Los Angeles Verification of Work Experience Form is required of all applicants except those with City of Los Angeles experience as an Instrument Mechanic. The Verification of Work Experience Form must indicate the percentage of time performing the work that is claimed as qualifying experience. Applicants required to submit a "Verification of Work Experience" Form will have 7 calendar days from the on-line submission date to submit a copy of their "Verification of Work Experience" Form or certificate of completion. Applicants who fail to submit a copy of their "Verification of Work Experience" form within the time required will not be considered further in this examination and their applications will not be processed. A copy of the "Verification of Work Experience" Form may be attached to the on-line applications at the time of filing or delivered to the Personnel Department at 700 East Temple Street, Room 100, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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?promotionaljobs=1> for Promotional Examinations.

NOTE:

Applicants are urged to apply early to ensure you have time to resolve any technical issues you may encounter.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications must be received by **THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2014.**

SELECTION PROCESS

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| Examination Weights: | Written Test | Qualifying |
| | Advisory Essay | Advisory |
| | Interview | 100% |

The examination will consist of a qualifying written test, an advisory essay, and an interview. In the qualifying written test, which will consist of multiple-choice questions, candidates may be examined for knowledge of: principles upon which electric, electronic, pneumatic, hydraulic, mechanical and other types of instruments and control devices operate, function, and interface with other similar devices; methods, materials, and techniques used in repairing, adjusting, testing, and calibrating various electric, electronic, computer programmable, and non-electric instruments; high-pressure steam plant, building, heat, refrigeration, freshwater and wastewater treatment, energy management, air and water quality, and fire/life safety equipment; maintenance requirements for steam generating and wastewater treatment equipment and control systems; control systems and components such as combustion, feed water, and flow controls, and transmitters, relays and controllers; analog, digital, and programmable type instrumentation; algebra; basic tools, test equipment, materials, and supplies used in the instrumentation field; principles governing the performance of flow measuring devices; safety precautions related to working near energized circuits, high pressure air lines, hot water and steam lines, hazardous chemicals, and rotating equipment, including CAL/OSHA Regulations, National Electrical Code, Department Safety Policies, Pressure Vessel Code, Title 8, AQMD, and NFPA; supervisory principles and practices including: planning, delegating, organizing, controlling the work of subordinates, and Equal Employment Opportunity; Memoranda of Understanding for subordinate personnel; techniques of training, instructing, and evaluating subordinates; City Personnel rules, policies and procedures; the ability to: read technical documents; interact tactfully and effectively with others; write materials effectively and concisely; and other necessary skills, knowledge, and abilities.

Candidates must complete the advisory essay and achieve a passing score in the qualifying written test in order to be called for the interview. The examination score will be based entirely on the interview. In the interview, emphasis may be placed on the candidate's experience, training and professional development as they have provided the knowledge of: methods, materials, and techniques used in repairing, adjusting, testing, and calibrating various electric, electronic, computer programmable, and non-electric instruments; physics, chemistry, and mathematics relating to devices used to measure pressure, temperature, flow, pH, dissolved oxygen, chlorine, hydrogen sulfide, carbon dioxide and ammonia, and conductivity; safety precautions related to working near energized circuits, high pressure air lines, hot water and steam lines, hazardous chemicals, and rotating equipment, including sections of CAL/OSHA Regulations, National Electrical Code, Department Safety Policies, Pressure Vessel Code, Title 8, AQMD, and NFPA; computers, software packages and programming techniques; supervisory principles and practices including: planning, delegating, organizing, controlling the work of subordinates, and Equal Employment Opportunity; Memoranda of Understanding for subordinate personnel; techniques of training, instructing, and evaluating subordinates; the ability to: analyze operational problems and instruct subordinate personnel in making adjustments and/or repairs; apply a logical, systematic, problem-solving approach to resolve complex system problems; supervise a group of journey-level worker Instrument Mechanics, helpers, trainees, and shop personnel and manage an Instrument Shop; evaluate, counsel and discipline employees to develop and maintain an effective work force; communicate orally to technical and non-technical individuals; interact tactfully and effectively with others; and other necessary skills, knowledge, and abilities.

At the time of the qualifying written test, candidates will also be required to prepare a response to an advisory writing exercise related to the duties and responsibilities of an Instrument Mechanic Supervisor. This material will not be separately scored, but will be presented to the interview board for evaluation of the candidate's written communication skills and for consideration in the overall evaluation of the candidate's qualifications.

Candidates will be notified later by mail of the time and location of the qualifying written test, which will be held in a single half-day session in Los Angeles, on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014.**

Passing Score for Qualifying Written Test

The passing score for the qualifying written test will be determined by Personnel Department staff after the qualifying written test is administered. Consideration will be given to the number of candidates taking the test and the existing and anticipated number of vacancies, such that there are a sufficient number of eligible on the list to satisfy current and future vacancies for the next two years. **Therefore, the passing score for the qualifying multiple-choice written test may be set either above or below 70%.**

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. 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.
3. 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.
4. A final average score of 70% is required to be placed on the eligible list.
5. You must have received a regular appointment to a City position or be on a reserve list to file on a promotional basis.
6. The incumbents of some positions in this class may be required to pass an annual or periodic work fitness evaluation to determine their eligibility for continued employment in this class.
7. Seniority credit at the rate of 0.25 of a point for each year of continuous service will be added to the weighted test score of each candidate.

THIS EXAMINATION IS TO BE GIVEN ONLY ON AN INTERDEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL BASIS

The City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, creed, color, ancestry, medical condition (cancer), or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.