

ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENIST

Department of Neighborhood Services

THE PURPOSE: The Environmental Hygienist will inspect the premises of buildings and properties for health and safety violations, conduct license & permit investigations, and respond to complaints regarding environmental health issues.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Inspecting all types of buildings and properties for violations of municipal codes
- Conducting field investigations of a technical nature pertaining to public and environmental health nuisances (e.g., noise) and hazards (e.g., lighting, fire safety and asbestos)
- Enforcing City of Milwaukee regulations governing the operation of such licensed premises as drycleaners, filling stations, and hotels
- Preparing computer generated technical reports
- Maintaining statistical records on all investigations
- Writing and serving legal orders to correct violations, issuing citations, and appearing as a witness for legal proceedings when required
- Communicating the nature of violations in written reports
- Conducting technical field investigations to determine environmental quality, worker health, and safety
- Responding to toxic material emergencies
- Performing other job-related responsibilities as assigned

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

1. Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry, Biology, Physical Science, Environmental Health, or a related field from an accredited college or university.
College coursework must include the following courses or their equivalent:
 - 15 credits of chemistry covering 2 of the following areas: inorganic, organic, or quantitative analysis
 - 5 credits in biology, microbiology, physiology, anatomy, or physics
 - 6 credits covering 2 of the following: algebra, trigonometry, analytic geometry, or statistics
2. Valid Wisconsin driver's license and a satisfactory driving record *at time of application* and throughout employment.
Driver's license number must be put on front of application.
3. Must have the ability to wear self-contained breathing apparatus, ability to climb and work at heights, to work in dusty, odorous, and noisy environments, and the ability to operate complex testing equipment.
4. Residency in the City of Milwaukee within six months of appointment and throughout employment.

Students who are working on Bachelor's degrees in the above areas of study and are completing their final year of college are encouraged to apply. However, such candidates will not be considered for hire until completion of a degree has been verified.

NOTE: Environmental Hygienists are required become registered sanitarians within the state of Wisconsin within two years of appointment.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Certification as a State of Wisconsin Asbestos Supervisor

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES REQUIRED:

- Knowledge of environmental hygiene & health
- Knowledge of housing maintenance, construction, remodeling, renovation or related trades
- Basic knowledge of natural science
- Ability to identify municipal code violations
- Ability to conduct field investigations
- Ability to enforce regulations
- Record keeping skills
- Math skills
- Knowledge of statistics
- Written communication skills
- Oral communication skills
- Analytical skills
- Assertiveness skills
- Interpersonal skills
- Basic knowledge of computers including Microsoft Office software

THE CURRENT SALARY (555) IS \$45,348 - \$51,778 annually.