



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGIST SUPERVISOR

Job Number: 20000761

Job Code: 30630V230916

Job Group: 3000 - AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL

Job Established: 05/16/1985

Job Revised: 09/16/2023

Grade: 16 Salary (MIN - MID):

\$27,348-\$41,022 - Hourly

\$4,444.06-\$6,666.08 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary

\$4,740.32-\$7,110.48 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary

Special Entrance Rate:

NONE

NONE

NONE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 6 months, except as provided in KRS 18A.111.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB: *Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Serves as the first line supervisor of a unit of professional and technical biological personnel involved in field and laboratory studies to assess environmental quality; and performs other duties as required

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduate of a college or university with a bachelor's degree in a biological, environmental or natural science, which includes at least thirty credit hours in the biological sciences.

EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, OR SKILLS:

Four years of professional experience in research, environmental impact assessment, or related environmental program areas.

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

Graduate work in the biological, environmental, or natural sciences will substitute for the required experience on a year-for-year basis.

Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:

NONE

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

NONE

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: *Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Plans, assigns and supervises the activities of biological personnel in field and laboratory specialties. Revises and interprets Serves as a first line supervisor of technical biological and scientific personnel involved in field and laboratory studies, program support for data management, water quality standards development, water quality assessments, and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) development. Revises and interprets division policies and implements the programs that are necessary to carry out those policies. Coordinates and supervises the development, preparation, and completion of professional and technical reports. Collects and reviews comments on environmental impact statements. Coordinates staff activities related to the acquisition and management of environmental data and ensures quality assurance/quality control policies and guidance are followed and updated on a regular basis. Reviews, comments, and provides recommendations on standards. Participates in public hearings, seminars, and symposia to explain environmental programs and standards development. Provides technical assistance to department personnel in the interpretation, application, and recommendation of environmental monitoring programs and standards. Serves as an expert witness in court actions and public hearings and responds to emergencies as needed. Attends hearings, meetings, symposia, and seminars concerning proposed activities that will affect the environment. Reviews public notices, environmental impact statements, and other documents in making a determination of their existing or potential impacts on the environment.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Any unique physical requirements necessary to perform the duties of a specific position will be listed on the individual position description, if applicable.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: *Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.*

Employees in this class perform duties primarily in an office setting. The opportunity exists for employees in this class to conduct field work or laboratory testing. In a lab setting, an employee in this job classification may be exposed to potential hazards related to laboratory conditions and supplies which may require the following of safety precautions. In a field setting, an employee in this job classification may be exposed to adverse weather conditions and temperature variations, changes in terrain, snakes, insects, water borne pathogens, broken glass, rusted metal in streams, and hazards common to operation of electro- fishing equipment, all of which require the following of safety procedures.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Upon employment, employees in this job classification may be required to maintain a valid driver's license and may be required to drive a licensed vehicle. This status may be necessary for the length of time in this job classification. If this is necessary, it will be listed in the specific position description for the position at issue. Applicants and employees in this job classification may be required to submit to a drug- screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

The Commonwealth of Kentucky does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, disability, age, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, pregnancy or related medical condition, marital or familial status, ancestry, political affiliation, genetic information, or veteran status in accordance with state and federal laws.