

SENIOR LIFEGUARD

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, monitors pool area activities and swimmer safety and assists in the direction and supervision of the staff and program of a swimming pool.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED/EXERCISED

Receives general supervision from the Pool Supervisor. Exercises lead direction over Lifeguards and Services Aides as assigned.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

Senior Lifeguard is the advanced working level class in the lifeguard series. An incumbent monitors the pool area to prevent accidents through enforcement of policies, rules, regulations, and ordinances governing the conduct of patrons at a pool. Senior Lifeguard is distinguished from the lower level class of Lifeguard in that the former may be required to give lead direction to workers engaged in the performance of similar duties. Senior Lifeguard is distinguished from the higher level class of Pool Supervisor in that the latter assumes full responsibility for the operation of a pool facility.

EXAMPLES OF IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES

may include, but not limited to, the following:

Closely monitors the pool area for accidents or potential unsafe conditions.

Rescues, resuscitates, and administers necessary first-aid and CPR to swimmers.

Determines if medical care is necessary and notifies appropriate agency.

Adds chemicals, collects water samples, tests the water, records information in operation log, and report imbalances to the supervisor.

Assists with minor maintenance work in the pool area.

Instructs in swimming, lifesaving techniques and safety regulations.

Ensures headcount of people involved in a watersport on an hourly basis.

Calls out warnings to people who may have ventured too far or are in imminent danger.

May assume responsibility for the supervision of a pool facility in the absence of Pool Supervisor.

Performs related duties as required.

JOB RELATED AND ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Water-rescue and accident-prevention techniques, emergency procedures, simulation drills, water-safety policies, first aid, and CPR.

Operational safety and maintenance requirements for aquatics facilities and amenities.

Skill to:

Consider the relative costs and benefits of potential actions to choose the most appropriate one.

Perform life saving techniques.

Ability to:

Test water for acid and chlorine.

Perform aquatic strokes.

Use lifesaving techniques to rescue swimmers.

Maintain records and order supplies.

Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Deal effectively with emergency situations.

Assess the environment and take remedial action.

Communicate information and ideas effectively.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Experience:

Previous experience in lifesaving, swim instruction, or advanced swimming is required.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Possession of a Lifeguarding, First Aid, and CPR-PR certificates as issued by the Red Cross, in order to be assigned to a pool facility.

APPROVED: _____
Director of Personnel Services

DATE: _____

ATS:GAK:MAH:tdc:05/01/2000
Revised: JTC:scm:1.25.16