

Safety and Health Laboratory Technician

Position Details

Class Code: 4250

Job Family: Skilled Trades/Technicians Classification: Support Professional

Terms of Employment: Pay Grade 51 on the Support Professional Salary Schedule

FLSA STATUS: NON-EXEMPT

Position Summary

Under general direction, conducts laboratory analysis by polarized or phase contrast light microscopy; collects and documents air and mineral samples.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

This list of Essential Duties and Responsibilities is not exhaustive and may be supplemented.

- 1. Performs air and bulk mineral sample analysis by polarized and phase contrast light microscopy.
- 2. Communicates analytical results verbally and in writing to field inspectors, contractors, and CCSD staff.
- 3. Calibrates and maintains sampling/testing equipment.
- 4. Assists in Quality Assurance program and participates in laboratory certification proficiency tests.
- Measures and documents air volume and pressure at asbestos abatement projects.
- 6. Monitors air quality at asbestos abatement projects.
- 7. Collects, documents, and transports samples to laboratory.
- 8. Monitors other local governmental agency facilities for indoor air quality.
- 9. Maintains computerized records of laboratory analyses.

- 10. Orders laboratory supplies.
- 11. Conforms to safety standards, as prescribed.
- 12. Performs other tasks related to the position, as assigned.

Distinguishing Characteristics

Involves identification and qualification of asbestos by the use of polarized and phase contrast light methods.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (Position Expectations)

- 1. Knowledge of polarized and phase contract light microscopy.
- 2. Knowledge of asbestos sampling methods.
- 3. Knowledge of safe laboratory procedures.
- 4. Ability to pass a normal color vision test.
- 5. Ability to wear a negative pressure respirator.
- 6. Ability to prepare and maintain accurate reports/records.
- 7. Ability to pass an Asbestos Hazardous Emergency Response Act (AHERA) type physical examination for use of negative pressure respiratory protection.
- 8. Ability to plan and organize tasks.
- 9. Ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing.
- 10. Ability to safely move and relocate heavy objects.
- 11. Ability to perform physically demanding work.
- 12. Ability to work flexible hours/shifts.
- 13. Ability to work in confined areas.
- 14. Ability to withstand heights and perform work safely.
- 15. Ability to work cooperatively with employees, the public, and other agencies.
- 16. Ability to recognize and report hazards and apply safe work methods.
- 17. Possess physical and mental stamina commensurate with the responsibilities of the position.

Position Requirements

Education, Training, and Experience

1. High school graduation or other equivalent, (General Educational Development (GED), foreign equivalency, etc.).

- 2. One (1) year of experience in a commercial or government laboratory using polarized and phase contrast light microscopy; or,
- 3. 24 college credit hours in any combination of science-related fields (mathematics, biology, chemistry, mineralogy, or environments, etc.).
- 4. Must pass an AHERA-type physical examination for use of negative pressure respiratory protection.

Licenses and Certifications

- A valid driver's license that allows the applicant/employee to legally operate a motor vehicle in Nevada. License must be maintained for the duration of the assignment.
- Current driving history (dated within six (6) months from the date printed) issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) at the time of application or Qualified Selection Pool (QSP) placement and at the time of interview prior to final selection.
- 3. Safe driving record. Safe driving record must be maintained for the duration of the assignment.
- 4. Certificate of completion in asbestos microscopy classes such as McCrone 508, NIOSH 582, or equivalent.
- 5. Valid State of Nevada Asbestos Supervisor License.

Preferred Qualifications

None specified.

Document(s) Required at Time of Application

- 1. High school transcript or other equivalent (GED, foreign equivalency, etc.).
- College transcript(s) from an accredited college, university, or trade school, if applicable.
- 3. Copy of a valid driver's license that allows the applicant/employee to legally operate a motor vehicle in Nevada.
- 4. Copy of current driving history (dated within six (6) months from the date printed) issued by the DMV.
- 5. Safe driving record
- 6. Certificate of completion in asbestos microscopy classes.
- 7. Current (within one (1) year) Medical certification of ability to wear respiratory protection.
- 8. Specific documented evidence of training and experience to satisfy qualifications.

Examples of Assigned Work Areas

Clark County School District (CCSD) offices, laboratory settings, asbestos abatement project sites, construction sites, etc.

Work Environment

Strength

Light - exert force up to 15 lbs., occasionally.

Physical Demand

Frequent reaching, handling, repetitive fine motor activities, talking and hearing. Vision: Frequent near acuity, occasional far acuity, and color vision. Mobility to work in a typical office setting and use standard office equipment. Vision to read printed materials, a video display terminal (VDT) screen, or other monitoring devices. Hearing and speech to communicate in person, via video conference and computers, or over the telephone.

Environmental Conditions

Climate-controlled office/lab setting. Project areas with temperature extremes up to 130 degrees Fahrenheit and 100% relative humidity requiring the use of a negative pressure respirator.

Hazards

Furniture, playground/office equipment, communicable diseases, chemicals and fumes (as related to specific assignment), and power/hand-operated equipment and machinery (as related to specific assignment).

Examples of Equipment/Supplies Used to Perform Tasks

Color charts, computers, test tubes, microscopes, various hazardous/toxic chemicals, laboratory equipment and supplies, negative pressure respirators, and other tools related to the trade.

AA/EOE Statement

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