SAFETY INSPECTOR I

DEFINITION

Under the supervision of the Fire Marshal or the Chief’s authorized subordinates, to inspect fire protection systems, new construction sites, industrial and commercial occupancies and institutional and public assemblage occupancies to insure a practical level of fire protection and compliance with applicable state and local regulations and nationally recognized fire protection standards; and perform related duties as may be required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Performs fire safety inspections of schools, rest homes, residences, hospitals, churches, industrial and commercial buildings, sprinkler systems and hazardous materials and processes; issues written notices requiring the elimination of fire hazards; inspects, posts and issues weed abatement notices; assists in the investigation of fires to determine origin and cause; testifies in court; photographs fire scenes; investigates and requires corrections of violations of state and local codes and ordinances pertaining to fire prevention; develops and conducts fire prevention education programs; keeps records of buildings inspected and action taken; may check building plans; provides technical information to the public concerning fire prevention; assists fire company personnel in code interpretation, training and fire inspections; gives emergency medical treatment when required; performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Ability to: Communicate effectively both orally and in writing; work with minimal direction; meet deadlines; gain the understanding and cooperation of the public; instruct methods and procedures used in a modern fire prevention bureau; work effectively with others; tolerate uncertainty and work in unstructured settings; handle a variety of assignments simultaneously; learn to recall fire safety regulations and legal procedures; interact positively and cooperate with co-workers, respond politely to customers, work as a team member, function under demanding time pressure, respond in a positive manner to supervision, attend work and perform duties on a regular and consistent basis.

Experience: Six months of experience as a full-time employee or intern, or any combination thereof, in fire or building inspection, plan checking, fire suppression or closely
related field.

**Education:** Graduation from high school or equivalent and the successful completion of State of California Board of Fire Services’ courses, Prevention 1A and 1B.

**License:** Possession of a valid Class C California Driver's License.

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