LIFE GUARD

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Looks after the safety and welfare of bathers at a public swimming pool or beach; does related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This work consists primarily of patrol of the swimming area at a public pool or beach. An employee must be capable of exercising sound judgment in emergencies.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative only)

- Stands watch or patrols pool or beach keeping bathers within bounds and going to their aid when they are in difficulty;
- Applies resuscitation techniques and otherwise renders first aid;
- Instruct beginners in swimming;
- Keeps the pool free of glass and other debris;
- Keeps order among swimmers;
- Enforces pool or beach rules.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Good knowledge of first aid, life saving and rescue work as applied to accidents in the water; ability to swim well; ability to deal with the public and to secure cooperation without unnecessary antagonism; ability to make simple reports; good observation; mental alertness; good moral character; physical condition commensurate with the demand of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Current certification in the American Red Cross Life Guard Training Program.

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