LAUNDRY WORKER

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Operates automatic laundry equipment and performs a variety of miscellaneous tasks in an institutional laundry; does related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is work of a routine character and ordinary difficulty involving responsibility for the regular and correct performance of tasks assigned. Duties require some knowledge of laundry machines and appliances and familiarity with the uses of laundry materials and equipment. Employees may be hired as general laundry workers at a base rate or as Pressers at a higher rate. Some employees may be partly or completely specialized in sewing, also at the higher rate. Work is performed under general supervision, with considerable leeway allowed in carrying out the details of the work.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative only)
-Sorts incoming and outgoing laundry;
-Sterilizes incoming soiled clothes;
-Operates flat work ironers, extractors, and dry tumblers;
-Folds and checks finished laundry;
-Finishes laundry with hand irons and presses;
-Makes soap, blueing and starch;
-Starches clothes;
-May mend clothing and bedding using sewing machine or hand sewing.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: Working knowledge of laundry methods and operation such as washing, ironing, and folding of articles by hand or machine; working knowledge of the use of common laundry cleaning appliances and materials; skill in the performance of simple laundry tasks; ability to understand and follow simple oral and written directions; strength and physical stamina; physical condition suitable to the demands of the position.

ACCEPTABLE EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING: One year of experience in practical laundry work involving the operation of modern machinery.