



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGIST SPECIALIST

Job Number: 20000759

Job Code: 30610V000101

Job Group: 3000 - AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL

Job Established: 05/16/1985

Job Revised: 02/16/2007

Grade: 14	Salary (MIN - MID):	Special Entrance Rate:
	\$18,075-\$23,944 - Hourly	NONE
	\$2,937.20-\$3,890.90 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary	NONE
	\$3,133.00-\$4,150.30 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary	NONE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 6 months. For additional information refer to: <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/101/001/325.htm>.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB: *Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Performs and aids in the coordination of assessment of environmental quality, determines impacts or potential impacts from point and non point sources and from other natural or man induced conditions; and performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduate of a college or university with a bachelor's degree in a biological, environmental or natural science, which includes at least thirty credit hours in the biological sciences.

EXPERIENCE:

Must have one year of professional experience in research, environmental impact assessment or related environmental program areas.

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

Graduate work in the biological, environmental or natural sciences will substitute for the required experience on a year-for-year basis.

Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:

NONE

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

NONE

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: *Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Collects, analyzes and interprets biological, physical and chemical data, both current and historical, pertaining to environmental conditions. Assesses the biological integrity of aquatic and/or terrestrial communities and existing or potential impacts to the environment resulting from natural or man induced activities. Aids in planning and participates in field sampling procedures and laboratory analyses. Responsible for specific sections of field and laboratory studies with regard to the scheduling, planning, implementation, analysis and reporting of results. Aids in the development of professional and technical reports of environmental biological and physicochemical assessments. Reviews public notices, construction plans, environmental impact statements and other environmental impact statements and other documents in making a determination of their existing or potential impacts on the environment. Serves as an expert witness in court actions and public hearings. Responds to emergencies as necessary. Assesses the biological integrity of aquatic and/or terrestrial nature preserve communities.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: *Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.*

Work is typically performed in an office setting, laboratory setting and in the field. An incumbent to this job title may be subject to changes in temperature and terrain. There is the possibility of exposure to snake and insect bites and the possibility of minor cuts and abrasions due to broken glass and pieces of rusted metal in streams. Hypothermia, electrocution from electro-fishing and exposure to water borne pathogens is possible.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Upon appointment, employees in this class may be required to maintain a valid driver's license and required to drive a licensed vehicle. This status may be necessary for the length of time in this class. If this is necessary it will be listed in the specific position description for that position. Applicants and employees in this job title may be required to submit to a drug screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER IDENTITY, ANCESTRY, AGE, DISABILITY, POLITICAL AFFILIATION, GENETIC INFORMATION OR VETERAN STATUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.