

## **LANDFILL OPERATOR**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** The work involves responsibility for maintaining a municipal landfill in neat and orderly condition and the operation of heavy equipment, such as bulldozers, at the landfill site. The work is carried out in accordance with established procedures and involves tasks related to caretaking a municipal landfill such as directing users of the facility to appropriate areas for dumping refuse or placing recyclables, keeping the site as orderly as possible, and using heavy equipment in covering or managing refuse. The class differs from that of Landfill Custodian in that Landfill Custodian does not normally operate equipment in maintaining the site. Depending on the municipality the work is performed under the general direction or general supervision of a higher level employee. Supervision of others is not normally a function of the class. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:** The typical work activities listed below, while providing representative examples of the variety of work assignments in the title do not describe any individual position. Incumbents in this title may perform some or all of the following, as well as other related activities not described.

Operates motorized equipment such as bulldozers, loaders and trucks to spread and cover the refuse;

Performs maintenance and minor repairs on landfill equipment;

Loads, transports and spreads dirt or shale to be used in the landfill site;

Directs public and private users of the facility to designated dumping areas at the landfill site;

Performs routine duties to assist the operation of the recycling component of the landfill;

Keeps the landfill site neat by policing the area, picking up papers, and trash which may fall off trucks;

May be required to wet down the landfill or surrounding area to prevent excessive burning or papers from blowing about;

May check that only authorized people use the landfill and collect fees if required;

Keeps simple records and makes reports;

May collect tickets, or perform related duties in a landfill with a recycling facility.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:** Working knowledge and skill in the operation of heavy motor equipment such as bulldozers, loaders and trucks; working knowledge and skill in performing minor mechanical repairs to motorized equipment; ability to understand and carry out simple oral and written directions; ability to secure the cooperation of others; ability and willingness to perform simple manual tasks without direct supervision; willingness to work outside under adverse weather conditions; good judgement; dependability; sobriety; honesty; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** One year of experience in a position which is substantially similar to that of Motor Equipment Operator.

ULSTER COUNTY  
3860 LAND OP  
Classification: Non-Competitive  
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