

**DEPARTMENT:** ALL APPLICABLE  
**CLASSIFICATION:** NON-COMPETITIVE (seasonal only); APPROVED AS FULL-TIME FOR CITY OF NORTH TONAWANDA AND NEWFANE SCHOOLS NYSCSC 09/09/2008  
**APPROVED:** AUGUST 9, 2006

**CHIEF LIFEGUARD**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This is routine work involving responsibility for leading a group of lifeguards/laborers in patrol of a bathing facility or recreation area in order to ensure the safety and welfare of bathers/park patrons. There is considerable leeway allowed for the exercise of independent judgment. All work is performed under the general direction and policies of a superior. A considerable amount of sound judgment is necessary in employees of this class. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

1. Stands watch or patrols bathing facility or recreation area, keeping people within bounds and going to their aid when they are in difficulty;
2. Leads the work of a group of lifeguards/laborers;
3. When assigned, leads swimming or first aid instructors;
4. Instructs lifeguards/laborers in methods of patrolling the bathing facility or recreation area;
5. Schedules and stations lifeguards/laborers at strategic points;
6. Instructs patrons in facility regulations;
7. Applies resuscitation techniques and otherwise renders first aid.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:** Thorough knowledge of first aide, lifesaving and rescue work as applied to accidents in the water and out; ability to swim well; ability to deal with the public and secure cooperation without unnecessary antagonism; ability to lead the work of others; good observation; mental alertness; good moral character; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Completion of a standard grade school course and one (1) season of experience as a lifeguard, swimming instructor or first aid attendant.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:**

Possession of a current American Red Cross Lifeguard Training (American Red Cross Course #3460) Certificate and CPR for the Professional Rescuer (American Red Cross Course #3214); Certificate at time of application.

**NOTE:**

For employment at a Level II B Pool and/or Beach, candidates must possess the following:

1. CPR for the Professional Rescuer (American Red Cross Course #3214); Lifeguard Training (American Red Cross Course #3460); and Waterfront Lifeguarding (American Red Cross Course #3461M); **or**
2. CPR for the Professional Rescuer (American Red Cross Course #3214); and YMCA Lifeguard training.

08/09/2006; 06/01/2005; 02/13/2004; 06/29/2000