CLASS SPECIFICATION

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CABINET MAKER
(Code 3343)

Summary of Duties: Does finished woodworking in making and repairing cabinets, furniture, and similar articles; may do skilled finished carpentry; and does related work.

Distinguishing Features: A Cabinet Maker is a journey-level woodworker who specializes in building, remodeling, and repairing cabinets, counters, office furniture, and similar articles. Most of this work is done in a shop and involves bench work and the use of all types of power woodworking equipment. Supervision received consists principally of assignments through blueprints, sketches, and oral and written instructions. Completed work is inspected for conformance to plans and specifications and for general quality of work performed. The details of work execution and techniques employed are generally left to the discretion of the employee.

Examples of Duties: A Cabinet Maker:

- Saws, mills, surfaces, planes, joints, bores, shapes, and sands rough lumber into finished pieces of material;
- constructs, assembles, remolds, and repairs cabinets, counters, cornices, displays, portable kitchens, office furniture, desks, chairs, filing cases, bookcases, doors, office partitions, boxes, and paneling;
- does finish woodworking on truck bodies;
- installs linoleum or plastic laminate on table, counter, and desk tops;
- lays out, fits, glues, and sands work;
- installs glass in wooden office partitions;
- may do general all-around carpentry as an incidental assignment;
- mills lumber for and assembles, all sizes and types of ladders such as stepladders, street light ladders, and extension ladders to be mounted on trucks;
- repairs and replaces wooden parts of tools such as hammers, shovels, and rake handles;
- mills hardwood, fiber, and bakelite for electrical equipment parts such as switch poles, wire bridges, cable blocks, disconnect poles, and cable clamps;
- makes working detail of blueprints and lists all material needed;
- uses power tools such as air and electric drills, planers, lathes, jointers, routers, bench and cutoff saws, boring, tenoning, and mortising machines, shapers, sanders, and other woodworking machines as a regular part of cabinet making work;
- sharpens and files hand and power saws and mill machine knives and cutter heads;
- uses hand tools pertinent to the trade.

May occasionally be assigned to other duties for training purposes or to meet
technological changes or emergencies.

**Qualifications:** A Cabinet Maker must have the following knowledges and abilities:

**A knowledge of:**
- the standard practices, processes, materials, tools, and equipment used in cabinet making and general woodworking;
- the qualities and uses of the various woods, plywoods and laminated plastics commonly used in cabinet making and finish carpentry;
- safety precautions required in a general woodworking shop;
- the use and operation of the hand and power tools and machines of the trade.

**The ability to:**
- read, interpret, and work from sketches, drawings, blueprints, and oral or written instruction;
- make detailed sketches and to estimate material needs;
- get along well with others.

Persons with a medical limitation may, with reasonable accommodations, be capable of performing the duties of some of the positions in this class. Such determination must be made on an individual basis in light of the person’s limitations, the requirements of the position, and the appointing authority’s ability to effect reasonable accommodations to the person’s limitations.

**Minimum Requirements:**

Completion of a recognized four-year apprenticeship as a cabinet maker; attainment of journey-level rank as a cabinet maker; six years of experience as a cabinet maker’s helper; or two years of experience as a journey-level carpenter engaged in finished carpentry is required.

**License:** A valid California driver’s license is required.

As provided in Civil Service Commission Rule 2.5 and Section 4.55 of the Administrative Code, this specification is descriptive, explanatory, and not restrictive. It is not intended to declare what the duties and responsibilities of any position shall be.