

**CLASS SPECIFICATION****1/13/2022****ASBESTOS WORKER, 3435**

Summary of Duties: An Asbestos Worker fabricates, removes, installs, and disposes of insulating materials and coverings from equipment and areas; sets-up and maintains containment areas for the removal and disposal of hazardous materials in conjunction with insulation work and elimination of possible Hantavirus contamination; and does related work.

Class Characteristics: The work of an Asbestos Worker is distinguished from that of other classes concerned with boilers, piping and pipelines, roofs and similar installations in that it consists only of the removal or application of insulating materials to objects in order to reduce heat or refrigeration loss or the removal of hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead. The performance of similar work by other classes is limited in amount or incidental to other duties. An employee of this class works under the supervision of an Asbestos Supervisor or the supervisor that has responsibility for the work location.

Examples of Duties:

- Removes and installs plastic, asbestos, magnesia, wall coverings, or similar insulating materials and metal, fabric, fiberglass, or similar covering materials to surfaces of steam boilers, ducts, pipes and pipelines, floors, walls, roofs, refrigeration or cold water pipes, tanks and other areas that require insulating work;
- Places sectional insulating material around pipes;
- Fastens metal bands, clamps, or wire around sections;
- Seals transverse joints with insulating cement;
- Mixes thermal cement or other insulating plastic materials in proper proportions and applies and trowels it to a smooth and even finish;
- Applies and stitches fabric jackets over insulation;
- Inspects steam and feed water lines for leaks affecting insulation;
- Removes insulation to prevent leak damage;
- Reports leakage for repair by other craft workers;
- Repairs or replaces old, defective, or damaged insulation;
- Repairs or makes insulation blankets for boilers, pumps, valves, and turbines, using thermal fabric, glass cloth, or glass fibers as filler;
- Orders insulating materials and checks them for conformance to established standards;
- Keeps records of materials used;

- Constructs and maintains confinement areas for the removal, cleaning and decontamination of equipment and areas of hazardous material such as asbestos and lead;
- Removes and disposes of hazardous material such as asbestos and lead; and
- May occasionally be assigned to other duties for training purposes or to meet technological changes or emergencies.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Completion of a recognized apprenticeship as an Asbestos Worker; or
2. Six years of full-time paid experience as an insulator or asbestos worker performing insulation or asbestos-type work.

Incumbents must also be trained and maintain the certification of training for Competent Person in the handling, decontamination, and disposal of hazardous materials such as asbestos and lead.

License: A valid California driver's license may be required.

Persons with disabilities may be able to perform the essential duties of this class with reasonable accommodation. Such accommodation will be evaluated on a case by case basis and depend, in part, on the specific requirements for the job, the limitations related to the disability, and the ability of the hiring department to reasonably accommodate the limitations.

As indicated 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 all of the duties and responsibilities of any position shall be.