COMPETENCY MODEL FOR
SHEET METAL SUPERVISOR
CLASS CODE 3777

The following competencies have been identified as those that best separate superior from satisfactory job performance in the class of SHEET METAL SUPERVISOR. (Numbers refer to the order of competencies in the Competency Bank.)

8. SAFETY FOCUS
20. JOB KNOWLEDGE
28. SUPERVISION
32. RESPONSIVENESS AND FOLLOW-UP
38. TOLERANCE
45. ORAL COMMUNICATION
47. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION
58. INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE

On the following pages are descriptions of each competency, including a definition, the level of the competency required for the class (italicized, bolded, and underlined), examples of behavioral indicators, and satisfactory and superior performance levels.
8. SAFETY FOCUS – Performs work in a way that minimizes risk of injury to self or others.

Level of Competency Required by Job:

Level 1: Maintain awareness of unsafe conditions and actions to avoid injury.

Level 2: Follow safety rules/procedures; avoid known hazards in the work environment.

**Level 3:** Carefully follow safety rules and procedures and consistently use all necessary safety equipment.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Wears seat belt.
- Ensures safe physical work environment by taking actions such as eliminating unstable stacks of materials, closing drawers so filing cabinets will not tip over, and keeping pathways clear of tripping hazards.
- Reviews safety procedures before beginning each job with known hazards.
- Follows safety procedures while performing work even when it takes more time.
- Uses safety equipment such as goggles, gloves, and earplugs as required or warranted.
- Frequently checks safety equipment for proper condition and operation.

Performance Levels:

**Satisfactory**
Maintains awareness of personal safety to avoid injury or property damage during all work activities.

**Superior**
“Safety first.” Places avoidance of injury or property damage above all other job requirements. Mentions the need to follow safe work practices to co-workers. Actively seeks ways to avoid injury.
20. JOB KNOWLEDGE – Knows information required to perform a specific job. Includes both widely available courses of study (for example, chemistry, human resources management, graphic arts) and City-specific information (parking regulation and ticketing practices; purchasing procedures; provisions of the City Charter).

Level of Competency Required by Job:

Level 1: Knowledge is concrete, factual, and/or procedural and may be defined by the organization. Situations in which it is applied are quite consistent.

Level 2: Knowledge is substantive and may be defined by an external trade, field, or profession. Situations in which it is applied vary and, as such, require breadth and depth of understanding.

Level 3: Knowledge is abstract, conceptual, and/or complex and may be supported by a well-defined academic discipline or authoritative sources (e.g., laws, ordinances, government guidelines/regulations/codes). Situations in which it is applied may vary greatly or be novel.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Performs work correctly/avoids technical (job content related) errors.
- Answers technical questions about work accurately.
- Asks few technical questions about the performance of routine work activities.
- Offers advice (“coaching”) to new employees regarding their work.
- Develops training programs for other employees.
- Sought out as a source of information by others.

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<td>Sufficient job knowledge to perform work correctly independently. Answers technical questions about work correctly.</td>
<td>Expertise in technical job information sufficient to serve as a resource to others. May develop training manuals/programs and/or give internal and/or external presentations related to work.</td>
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Job Knowledge Areas

1. Knowledge of the operation of sheet metal machines and equipment sufficient to fabricate various sheet metal products.

2. Knowledge of blue prints and shop drawings sufficient to understand the construction or assembly of sheet metal products.

3. Knowledge of inspection techniques sufficient to monitor the production of individual parts, assemblies, or installations.

4. Knowledge of materials, methods, and the tools involved in the construction or repair of houses, buildings, or other structures sufficient to manage the work of Sheet Metal Workers.

5. Knowledge of project requirements, such as scope, assembly sequences, or required methods or materials sufficient to manage the production of sheet metal products.

6. Knowledge of materials, production processes, quality control, costs, and other techniques in order to effectively maximize the manufacture and distribution of products.

7. Knowledge of policies, procedures, and strategies used to promote effective local, state, and/or national security operations in order to protect people and property.

8. Knowledge of regulations and standards sufficient to evaluate information and ensure that events and processes comply with such measures.
28. SUPERVISION – Ability to assume direct responsibility for all aspects of the performance of a work group, which requires knowledge and/or ability in the areas of:

- Planning and goal setting
- Creating a safe and positive work environment
- Establishing standards and training employees
- Motivating employees and team building
- Performance Management (assigning, monitoring, facilitating, reviewing and evaluating work, and providing feedback)
- Supporting and developing employees through delegation and participation
- Taking disciplinary action including progressive discipline
- Provisions of employees' MOU's and handling grievances
- Legal requirements including EEO, ADA, FLSA, FMLA, and Workers' Compensation provisions
- Civil Service Commission Rules and Policies related to the management of employees
- Administrative Code provisions related to the management of employees
- Budget processes sufficient to request and justify expenditures in a correct and timely manner

Level of Competency Required by Job:

**Level 1:** Supervises small workgroup of employees performing the same or highly related work.

**Level 2:** Supervises a larger workgroup of employees performing various types of work.

**Level 3:** Supervises employees including provision of coaching and advice to subordinate supervisors.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Plans, assigns, and monitors work progress.
- Trains employees to do work.
- Evaluates work and gives positive and negative feedback.

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<td>Proficiency in supervision sufficient to supervise a workgroup in terms of task orientation, interpersonal concerns, and personnel administration.</td>
<td>Proficiency in supervision sufficient to serve as a resource to others and/or represent department position in a public forum.</td>
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32. RESPONSIVENESS AND FOLLOW-UP – Executes actions as requested or to which a commitment has been made; continues involvement as needed.

Level of Competency Required by Job:

Level 1: Willingly accept job assignments and, upon completion, asks whether any other actions are necessary.

Level 2: Ensure that all job responsibilities are fulfilled within their designated timeframes. Willingly accept, and may volunteer for, additional assignments, but does not overextend. Anticipate and accommodate the need for continued involvement.

Level 3: Ensure that staff and other resources are available (or can be made available) to reasonably allow for completion of work before making a commitment. If not, make adjustments to ensure completion of work or re-establish priorities and communicate to all involved parties. Recognize the probable need for continuation of some staff involvement beyond the designated timeframe to ensure success.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Willingly accepts assignments and completes assigned work.
- Monitors “completed” work to determine whether additional issues to be addressed have arisen.
- Volunteers for assignments when able to assure their timely completion.
- Carefully considers available staff and resources, and competing priorities, before making commitments to complete additional work.

Performance Levels:

**Satisfactory**
- Completes assigned work. Realistically appraises the likelihood of completing additional work before accepting or volunteering for it. Recognizes the usual need for follow-up once assignments are submitted.

**Superior**
- Completes assigned work in an expeditious manner. Often ready to accept additional work or volunteer for it. Readjusts priorities and/or revises plans to maximize productivity. Diligently monitors the possible need for follow-up.
38. **TOLERANCE** – Accepts all forms of diversity, including different, even contrary, points of view.

**Level of Competency Required by Job:**

**Level 1:** Accepting of co-workers, other employees, and members of the public regardless of their stated beliefs or assumptions that might be made based on their appearance or status.

**Level 2:** *Work well with others regardless of their stated beliefs or affiliations, appearance, or idiosyncrasies. Recognize the value of different points of view among members of a work group or team.*

**Level 3:** Embrace a diverse work group as a possible means of advancing objectives of the organization. Encourage airing of different, even contrary, points of view as a means of ensuring that all possible factors are considered and alternatives explored.

**Examples of Behavioral Indicators:**

- Works well with a diversity of others.
- Provides comparable service to all members of the public.
- Accepts differences in others even with respect to factors that would not be acceptable personally.
- Recognizes that judging others on a personal basis/displaying intolerance is inappropriate in the workplace.
- Encourages all others to openly state their views on work-related matters.

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<td>Works well with a diverse array of other people. Provides service or otherwise interacts with others in a manner that is consistent and fair.</td>
<td>Recognizes the potential for diversity to strengthen the organization. Welcomes and fully considers diverse points of view, and makes every effort to ensure others do the same.</td>
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45. ORAL COMMUNICATION – Communicates orally in a clear, concise, and effective manner.

Level of Competency Required by Job:

Level 1: Exchange specific, job-related information orally with others in the immediate work environment or via telephone and/or radio.

**Level 2:** Obtain/provide/present general and/or job-specific information orally to a variety of others in various situations.

Level 3: Obtain/provide/present a diverse array of information orally at varying levels of complexity to a wide range of others across many different situations and circumstances.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Audience clearly understands the intended message.
- Rarely must repeat information in response to questions.
- Refrains from use of unnecessary words, phrases, or jargon.
- Provides a level of detail appropriate to the situation (avoids too much or too little detail).
- Speaks at a level appropriate to the audience in terms of terminology, sentence structure, and simplicity/complexity of ideas expressed.
- Uses words with precision (vocabulary) to convey exact information.

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<td>Speaks clearly and audibly, providing the</td>
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<td>appropriate information and level of detail.</td>
<td>convincingly and with authority when</td>
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47. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION – Communicates effectively in writing.

Level of Competency Required by Job:

Level 1: Write notes/e-mails. Completes forms with some open-ended responses (sentences).

**Level 2:** Write letters, articles/reports, and/or detailed descriptions of activities/occurrences.

Level 3: Write lengthy reports, instruction manuals, in-depth analyses/reviews of complex issues and/or articles for publication. Reviews the written work of others.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Writing includes the necessary information to convey the intended message.
- Sufficiently few errors in spelling, punctuation, grammar to not interfere with the intended message or distract the reader.
- Little editing or re-writing needed to produce a final product.
- Composes materials efficiently.
- Information is presented in a well organized manner.
- Tone and degree of formality are appropriate to the purpose and audience.

Performance Levels:

**Satisfactory**

- Writes material that clearly communicates the necessary information; needs little editing.

**Superior**

- Precisely uses words and organizes information in a way that enhances presentation of the message. Virtually no editing needed.
58. INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE – Knows sources of information (publications, websites, professional associations), college programs, consultants, vendors, and peers within field of endeavor; accesses them when needed.

Level of Competency Required by Job:

Level 1: Can locate job-related information from external sources when necessary.

**Level 2:** Read job-related publications and know/may be a member of professional associations. Some familiarity with college programs, consultants, vendors, and/or others in the field.

Level 3: Subscribe to job-related publications and is a member of professional association(s). Know many college programs, consultants, and vendors, and has a well-developed network of peers within the field.

Examples of Behavioral Indicators:

- Reads/subscribes to job-related publications.
- Knows consultants/vendors in the field including their products/services and reputation.
- Attends conferences or other job-related training/presentations.
- Makes presentations to professional associations.
- Has contacts on college faculties to call upon if needed.

Performance Levels:

**Satisfactory**

Aware of external resources available in the field. Can locate and obtain materials and/or locate and contact professional associations, consultants, vendors, or peers if necessary.

**Superior**

Knows many external resources in field, including publications, educational programs, consultants, and vendors. Has a well-established network of peers. Belongs to professional associations and attends conferences or other training sessions.