



TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD

POSITION AVAILABLE

TITLE:

Sanitarian

(Full Time-35hrs week with Benefits)

Professional public health work in the enforcement of sanitation laws and regulations relating to public health and environmental health. Work involves the responsibility for achieving environmentally safe conditions through the enforcement of the Public Health Code, Statutes and local regulations pertaining to environmental health as well as providing public health education.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

- Conduct site investigations to determine suitability for subsurface sewage disposal systems including but not limited to performing percolations tests and witnessing and logging deep test holes.
- Reviews septic design plans submitted by engineer or septic installers. Assures code compliance and issues permits. Consults with engineers and installers to suggest/support appropriate design.
- Inspect all phases of subsurface sewage disposal installations for compliance to state and local codes.
- Investigate suspect sewage disposal system failures and initiates appropriate abatement procedures.
- Inspect food establishments to assure compliance to state and local regulations and assists in complaint investigations of food establishments.
- Investigates all complaints of food borne illness where two or more unrelated persons are involved.
- Review and approval of proposed food service facilities.
- Investigates a variety of complaints of nuisances and unsanitary conditions and performs research in order to recommend ways of correcting such conditions.
- Investigates environmental complaints such as garbage and rubbish disposal, improper sewage disposal, septic system failures, water quality, rodent and insect infestation, mosquito control and other unsanitary environmental conditions.
- Performs routine inspections of schools, daycare centers, housing, swimming and bathing areas, public pools and other public facilities.
- Performs routine inspections on cosmetology, hair and nail salons.
- Regulates new private water supply wells including site inspections of property, issuing permits to well drillers and reviewing water analysis.
- Reviews and approves building permits for compliance to state and local regulations.
- Review lead inspection reports when submitted by a professional lead inspector. Lead abatement and management plans are reviewed for compliance to the State of Connecticut lead regulations before work is begun.
- Investigate elevated blood lead levels in children under the age of 6.
- Collection of water samples for potability, pollutants and other analysis.
- Provides emergency response at the request of the police and fire departments.
- Provide public health education on various public health topics.
- Performs other duties as assigned by the Director of Health.

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PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Normal office environment with typical business equipment; ability to operate a computer and learn how to use permitting software; ability to interface and problem-solve with the public. Physical ability to work outdoors extensively on difficult terrain and be exposed to severe weather conditions including heat, cold, rain or snow.

Must be able to climb and crawl to remote sites to perform inspections.

Must be able to lift 50 pounds.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree in environmental health, public health or related sciences required.
- Minimum of three years of experience in health code enforcement which involved conducting inspections and investigations.
- Registered Sanitarian.
- State of Connecticut Certification to inspect food service facilities or ability to obtain certification within 6 months.
- Department of Public Health Phase 1 and Phase 2 training certification for subsurface sewage waste disposal systems preferred.
- Lead certification preferred.
- Must have valid Connecticut driver's license.
- Must have strong written and oral communication skills to create accurate and professional reports and recommendations.
- Ability to enforce regulatory provisions firmly and impartially.
- Knowledge of principles and practices of public health and environmental health.

SALARY RANGE: \$80,000 - \$90,000

JOB POSTING DATES: Until filled

Interested applicants should send:

Resume, list of certifications and salary requirements to the following

e-mail us at personnel@ridgefieldct.gov

or

Human Resources
400 Main Street
Ridgefield, CT 06877

or fax us at (203) 431-2328

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