

# **Sanitary Technician**

The Department of Water Environment Protection (WEP) provides critical wastewater services to Onondaga County's Consolidated Sewer District. We are successful in our mission to protect local waterways and public health because of our dedicated and diverse workforce. WEP is looking for communicative, critical thinkers to join our team!

## WHY YOU?

WEP is continuously seeking motivated and skilled professionals to join our cohesive and diverse team!

## WHAT EXACTLY DOES A SANITARY TECHNICIAN DO?

The work involves responsibility for the set-up and operation of a variety of laboratory apparatus and instrumentation to analyze water, wastewater, industrial discharges, and solid and hazardous wastes according to New York State and Federal (EPA) regulations. Under the general supervision of a Sanitary Chemist and the direct supervision of a Senior Sanitary Technician, an employee in this class is responsible for operating and maintaining all equipment utilized in the routine analyses performed by this class and for keeping accurate, up-to-date records as required by New York State Department of Health Laboratory Certification Program. Responsibilities include accepting samples for analysis, ascertaining proper preservation of said samples and disposing of hazardous water and waste material in a safe and proper manner. This is an important role at WEP, and duties will include, but are not limited to:

- Sets up and performs the more routine analyses involved in analyzing samples of water, wastewater, solid, and hazardous wastes, including but not limited to: BOD, solids, ammonia, TKN, sulfates, alkalinity, pH, phenol, cyanide, metals species and other routine analyses.
- Sets up and performs basic bacteriological analyses of treatment plant effluent and receiving waters.
- Maintains permanent records of sample analysis, including quality control and quality assurance data in accordance with accepted procedures.
- Responsible for checking proper preservation criteria of laboratory samples prior to analysis.
- Responsible for safe and proper handling and disposal of chemicals and hazardous water and waste material.

# **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

(A) Two (2) years of experience, or its part-time equivalent, in an environmental laboratory performing technical laboratory test procedures; or, (B) Successful completion of fifteen (15) credit hours from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university in chemistry, biology or biochemistry; or, (C) An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined by the limits of (A) and (B).

**ANNUAL SALARY** \$48,354 - \$53,246

CIVIL SERVICE GRADE
CSEA / 7

#### **POSITION TYPE**

#### **Provisional**

Candidate will initially be provisional and must take the corresponding Civil Service exam, scheduled at a later date, and place high enough on the list to qualify for appointment.

Full Time 35 hours/week

#### **WEP DIVISION**

Lab & Environmental Services

### **BENEFITS**

Paid Vacation & Sick Leave
13 Paid Holidays
Health & Dental Insurance
Vision Plan
NYS Retirement Benefits &
Retiree Healthcare
Flex Spending
Work-Life Balance
Professional Development
Opportunities

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