

**BUILDING INSPECTOR**

**DEFINITION:**

Under direction from higher level building inspectors, inspects buildings and structures to see that construction or alteration work is being done according to approved plans and in accordance with the provisions of building codes; and does related work as required.

This class is distinguished from the Senior Building Inspector class in that it works under the close supervision of a more experienced building inspector and performs inspections of limited difficulty and complexity requiring a basic knowledge of building inspection. Senior Building Inspectors perform inspections requiring highly specialized knowledge and exercise greater independence and judgment during the course of their work.

**ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:**

The listed tasks are essential for this position and may include, but are not limited to the following: inspects buildings and similar structures that are being constructed, altered, moved, or demolished to see that work being done complies with provisions of the building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, and related codes and ordinances; determines that buildings and structures are being constructed in a safe manner in accordance with approved plans and specifications; inspects the quality of materials and methods for construction for footings, foundations, excavations, concrete work, framing, lathing, plastering, masonry, and other construction phases; provides information to builders, architects, and the general public regarding requirements of building codes and ordinances; checks plans to assure compliance with applicable regulations; keeps records of inspections made and actions taken; may be required to work shifts, weekends, and/or holidays.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Training and Experience:** Graduation from high school and two (2) years of experience as a general building construction supervisor or one (1) year as an inspector in building work. Possession of a Building Inspection Technology certificate from an accredited institution, college or university can be substituted for the one (1) year of building inspector experience. Must have a valid California "C" driver's license. Certification as an inspector by the International Code Council is required within the first two years of employment.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:** Must have knowledge of: Pertinent building, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, and zoning codes and ordinances; proper construction methods in building, plumbing, electrical, and mechanical work; General Safety Orders. Must have ability to: Understand and interpret technical codes and ordinances; read and interpret building construction plans and specifications; maintain records and prepare progress reports; work tactfully and effectively with other City personnel, building contractors, workers and the public.

**PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORKING CONDITIONS:**

While performing the duties of this job, the employee travels to specific locations, frequently lifts and/or moves up to 35 pounds; is frequently required to talk, hear, stand, walk, crawl, stoop and climb ladders. The employee works outdoors and will be exposed to variable weather conditions. Specific vision abilities required include close, distance, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.