State of North Carolina

Ferry Mate

Class Concept

Work involves assisting in the supervision of above deck operations and navigation of all ferry vessels. Positions function as the second in command in assuring that the operation and navigation of the vessel are safe for passengers while underway and that crewmembers follow proper procedures. Work includes vessel inspections to maintain compliance with U.S. Coast Guard operational practices. Positions are responsible for following all safety and Homeland Security rules and regulations. Positions perform work independently but are visually observed by the Ferry Master (Captain) and work is reviewed through written reports.

Recruitment Standards

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Considerable knowledge of the operations and basic maintenance of ferry vessels including procedures and practices in loading and unloading a ferry vessel.
- Working knowledge of the operation and basic maintenance of ferry hoists, motors, and safety devices required in the operation of a ferry vessel in inland waters.
- Considerable knowledge of State, Federal and U.S. Coast Guard laws and regulations.
- Considerable knowledge of radar, navigational, and communication equipment relative to ferry boat operations.
- Ability to safely navigate a ferry vessel involving ship-handling and seamanship.
- Ability to supervise others in all areas of ferry operation.

Minimum Education and Experience

Valid U.S. Coast Guard License as Mate of Inland Motor Ferry Vessels of appropriate gross tonnage.

Necessary Special Qualifications

Possession of a Transportation Worker Identification Credential Card (TWIC) issued by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).

Note: This is a generalized representation of positions in this class and is not intended to identify essential functions per ADA.