

Class Concept

Positions in this class serve as field officer to ensure compliance with conservation regulations and protect the state's fisheries resources. It is the responsibility of the Marine Patrol Officer to ensure fishermen comply with general statutes and rules that are developed to protect and regulate the harvest of the state's fisheries. In addition to checking commercial and recreational fishermen, officers patrol waterways, piers, and beaches in coastal areas. The Marine Patrol Officer also inspects seafood houses, vehicles transporting seafood, and restaurants all over the state to ensure compliance with fisheries rules. Duties also include apprehending violators committing offenses, investigating violations or complaints, collecting and preserving evidence and following the chain of custody, testifying in court proceedings and performing related work.

Recruitment Standards

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Basic knowledge of Marine Fisheries enforcement policies and guidelines, state and federal laws that pertain to Marine Fisheries enforcement, North Carolina General Statutes and Fisheries Rules for Coastal Waters, and Marine Fisheries proclamations.
- Basic knowledge Division of Criminal Information rules, policies, and procedures; National Marine Fisheries regulations; and Marine Fisheries rules and regulations.
- Basic knowledge of navigational charts, and county/state maps.
- Ability to operate a patrol vessel.

Minimum Education and Experience

High School or General Educational Development (GED) diploma

Necessary Special Qualifications

Basic Law Enforcement Certification under North Carolina Criminal Justice Training and Standards Commission. Must possess or be able to obtain and maintain a valid driver's license.

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