

### Class Concept

This is an intermediate level position that performs work in the promotion of public health through surveillance, consultation, inspection, and enforcement of state, local, and federal environmental health laws and regulations. Basic work objectives center on supporting professional level Environmental Health Specialists, Environmental Health Program Coordinators, Environmental Health Program Specialists, and Environmental Health Supervisors. Employees may have limited responsibilities in a variety of different environmental health program areas or in a single environmental health program area. Work is performed under the general supervision of an environmental health specialist. Employees are expected to stay up to date on current procedures, policies, statutes and rules through continuing education and contact with the Environmental Health Section of the NC Division of Public Health.

### Description of Work

Employees in this classification may perform all the following duties, under the direct supervision of a registered environmental health specialist in accordance with rules adopted by the Commission for Public Health and by NCGS § 90A:

- (a) Permitting and inspections of private water wells.
- (b) Inspections of Category I food establishments, temporary food establishments, and limited food service establishments.
- (c) Inspections of lodging establishments.
- (d) Permitting and inspections of any Type II or Type III on-site wastewater systems, including system layouts and existing wastewater systems.
- (e) Inspections of migrant housing.
- (f) Inspections of private, public, and religious schools.
- (g) Inspections of local confinement facilities.
- (h) Inspections of residential care facilities.

### Recruitment Standards

#### Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Demonstrated knowledge of environmental health procedures, policies, statutes, and rules, as well as job-specific program areas.
- Demonstrated knowledge of public health law, microbiology, biology, chemistry, food science, epidemiology, soil science, and basic engineering technology as applied to environmental health practices.
- Demonstrated knowledge of the responsibilities of other agencies involved in environmental health work.
- Demonstrated knowledge of inspection methods and investigation techniques as applied in environmental health.
- Ability to analyze and comprehend a variety of technical and administrative regulations, records, and reports.
- Ability to exercise sound judgement and deal tactfully with a wide range of public contacts while enforcing public health laws and regulations.
- Ability to apply environmental health standards, guidelines, statutes, rules, knowledge, and techniques in the investigation of environmental health problems.
- Ability to communicate with clarity in written and verbal form.

### Minimum Education and Experience

Graduated with an associate, bachelor's, or postgraduate degree from a program that is accredited by the National Environmental Health Science and Protection Accreditation Council (EHAC) and satisfactorily completed general and specialized instruction and training in environmental health approved by the Department.

Graduated with an associate, bachelor's, or postgraduate degree and earned minimum of 15 semester hours in the physical, biological, natural, life, or health sciences and satisfactorily completed general and specialized instruction and training in environmental health approved by the Department.