



Village of Watkins Glen
303 N. Franklin Street
Watkins Glen, NY 14891
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Job Opening
Water Treatment Plant Operator 2A
(Full-Time)

SALARY: \$19.95/hr. to start with a guaranteed increase at six months and again at one year.
** Starting Salary for current Village of Watkins Glen Teamsters Employee with more than one year of service is \$22.17.*

LAST DATE TO FILE: Applications accepted until position is filled.

VACANCY: At the present time, there is one full time opening with the Village of Watkins Glen. This is a competitive title; therefore, the person hired will need to take a Civil Service exam at a later date and be reachable on the list to gain permanency in the position.

HOW TO APPLY: Interested candidates must submit an original Civil Service “Application for Employment and/or Examination” to Schuyler County Civil Service office, 105 Ninth St., Unit 21, Watkins Glen, NY 14891. For convenience you can continue to mail, email, fax or use the drop box for application submission, or you can visit the office directly.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: Candidates must have been **legal residents of Schuyler or a contiguous (Chemung, Seneca, Steuben, Tompkins and Yates) county** for at least one month immediately preceding the date of application.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

Responsible for the overall operation of the Water Treatment Facility, and pumping stations, and utilizing computer Supervisor Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems. Sample, analyze, and interpret data to ensure efficient process control and the Department of Health (DOH) quality standards are being met. Duties are routine in nature; however, much latitude exists for modifying and/or changing established procedures and policies when troubleshooting, analyzing, and solving problems in unique situations. Works independently under the general direction of the OIC (Operator in Charge). Supervision may be exercised over subordinate employees in the performance of their assigned duties. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Collect samples and perform routine laboratory test analyses on water at various stages of processing; Update all daily records such as plant flows at various stages of the process, weather conditions, operational conditions (flow meter and gauge readings), and summarize data and plant results using

computers; Interpret data for process control; Prepare and send samples of water to certified labs for analysis to ensure the limits for the DOH Permit are being met; Observe variations in working conditions, interpret meter and gauge readings, and test results to determine load requirements and operating efficiency of equipment; Monitor control panels by remote control or by hand, adjust the valves and gates and start and stop the pumps that regulate the flow of water through various plant processes; Check operation and temperature of mechanical equipment; Perform minor repairs on pumps and chemical feeders; Assist with properly isolating, cleaning, and unplugging various valves, pumps, heat exchangers, etc.; Monitor plant through S.C.A.D.A. control system; Inspect the plant to ensure smooth operation, and perform routine safety checks. Inspect equipment to ensure compliance with all Department of Health Permit parameters for location of employment; Direct other workers engaged in routine operations, such as servicing and cleaning; Provide direction and training other personnel in the operations of the plant; Ensure adequate response to plant alarms where appropriate; Maintain, clean, and calibrate a variety of electronic sensing equipment; Operate and maintain various apertures associated with a water distribution system; Handle or relay inquiries and complaint from the public; Provide input into planning and implementation of capital projects; Participates in on-call system; Assume duties of other classifications as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the practices used and the equipment required in the operation and maintenance of a Water Treatment Plant; Good knowledge in working with Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems; Good knowledge of mechanical and electrical maintenance; Working knowledge of the principles and applications of physics, chemistry and bacteriology as applied to water treatment; Skill in the operation and repair of pumps, valves and related mechanical and electrical equipment; Ability to operate a personal computer and utilize programs required by the department; Ability to read, understand and record data from gauges, scales and meters; Ability to make routine laboratory and field tests for control of plant operation; Ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions; Ability to work without direct supervision; Mechanical aptitude, alertness and dependability; Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma, one (1) years' experience as an operator in a water treatment facility, and possession of Department of Health (DOH) certifications as a 2a Water Treatment Plant Operator, "C" (Transient System with additional chlorination) and "D" (distribution) Licenses.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS:

Must possess and maintain a valid and unrestricted class "D" license for the class of the vehicle operated prior to, and throughout, employment.

PROMOTIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

One year of experience in the title(s) of Water Department Maintenance Mechanic or Water Department Operator Trainee with the Village of Watkins Glen.

Applications and announcements are available at www.schuylercounty.us or the Schuylers County Civil Service Office 105 Ninth St., Unit 21, Watkins Glen, NY 14891

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