

CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR III

PURPOSE AND NATURE OF WORK

Positions in this classification are responsible for multi-discipline inspection and enforcement of local and national codes and regulations governing pre-completion building construction, plumbing, electrical, and/or air conditioning installation, as well as the review of building plans. Work involves both plan review and on-site inspections at each of several phases of construction of both commercial and residential structures. Incumbents in this class work independently on field inspections and must make decisions requiring technical judgment, but consult with a supervisor on more difficult or unusual cases. Work is supervised by a Chief Construction Inspector.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK (Note: These examples are intended only to illustrate the various types of work performed by incumbents in this class. All of the duties performed by any one incumbent may not be listed, nor does any incumbent necessarily perform all of these duties.)

In accordance with area of assignment and licensing, conducts multi-discipline inspection on new construction, alterations, major repairs and additions to commercial and residential buildings and other structures for compliance with building codes and approved plans and specification requirements. Documents deficiencies and prepares notice to owners, contractors, engineers, and/or architects. Prepares and maintains necessary records and reports daily.

Reviews building plans for new commercial, commercial addition and/or renovation, and new residential installations to ensure compliance with all applicable codes and sound construction practices, prior to issuance of permits.

Offers suggestions to contractors and homeowners and provides information on new products or methods. Responds to questions and complaints from citizens and contractors.

Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

Advanced knowledge of the plan review process for new construction, alterations, and repairs to buildings.

Advanced knowledge of applicable code regulations, laws and ordinances.

Ability to read and interpret Engineer's building plans, blueprints and sketches, and to determine if construction conforms to plans.

Advanced knowledge of the methods, materials and techniques related to sound practice in the construction, repair and alteration of new and existing structures, including but not limited to computer and related software applications.

Advanced knowledge of possible defects and flaws in construction and of effective corrective measures.

Ability to detect and locate defective installations.

Advanced knowledge of proper electrical, mechanical and plumbing installations.

Ability to work inside and outside, in both clement and adverse conditions.

Ability to physically maneuver sometimes unstable or rough terrain in order to readily navigate construction areas for the purpose of inspection.

Ability to enforce codes and regulations firmly, tactfully and impartially.

Ability to effectively communicate orally and in writing.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees, building owners, contractors, developers, architects, engineers and the public.

Ability to report to work in the event of City/ Parish disaster preparation and/ or recovery effort.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from a standard high school and experience in a wide variety of skilled residential and commercial construction; or any equivalent combination of training and experience.

SPECIAL NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS

1. Must meet all special requirements of a Construction Inspector II and
2. Must hold a valid certification as a Plans Examiner as required by the State prior to appointment in a corresponding discipline and
3. Must hold a valid International Code Council Inspector Certification as either a residential or commercial inspector in the two remaining disciplines (building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical).