LEAD MECHANIC

FUNCTION OF THE JOB

Under supervision, to function as a lead worker in performing, prioritizing, and assigning work involving the maintenance and repair of vehicles and equipment and to participate in that work; performs other duties as required.

CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Performs all functions of Mechanic.
- 2. Plans, organizes, and leads the work of a team of mechanics and participates in that work; assists the manager by assigning daily work to employees.
- 3. Acts as first line of contact for vendor management, vehicle and equipment specification reviews, shop facility management, and fulfilling secondary parts ordering requirements.
- 4. Performs detailed computer analysis of automated maintenance records for purpose of repair and preventative maintenance requirements.
- 5. Performs quality control inspections of repairs made by mechanics.
- 6. Acts as division liaison, receives and responds to requests for vehicle and equipment repair and service from customer base; prepares the necessary work orders and service documents.
- 7. Completes initial new vehicle and equipment receipt and inspection; prepares vehicle and equipment for disposal, on-line auction, conventional auction, or salvage.
- 8. Establishes and prepares detailed repairs and maintenance priorities and work programs and schedules.
- 9. Provides information to department supervisors and to vehicle and equipment operators concerning the repair, usage and proper operation, and care of equipment.
- 10. Assists in the training and instruction of employees in proper safety practices and procedures and in the use of complex diagnostic and repair equipment.
- 11. Performs major repairs of all customer equipment and vehicles which include but are not limited to automobiles, trucks, tractors, bulldozers, graders, and mowers.
- 12. Establishes and maintains effective working relationships with supervisors, co-workers, internal and external customers, vendors, and the public.
- 13. Maintains prompt, predictable, and regular attendance.
- 14. May serve as Shop Supervisor in their absence.
- 15. Performs other duties as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

Essential Knowledge and Abilities

- 1. Thorough knowledge of the operating principles of internal combustion engines, drive trains, electrical systems, multi-plexed electrical systems, CAN (controller area network) electronic systems, chassis components of vehicles and other motor-driven equipment.
- 2. Comprehensive knowledge of the current industry standards, materials, tools, and equipment used in the maintenance and repair of motor operated vehicles.
- 3. Comprehensive knowledge of occupational hazards and safety practices in the maintenance, repair, and operation of motorized vehicles and equipment.
- 4. Comprehensive knowledge of the tools, materials, and equipment used in fabrication, welding, and maintenance.
- 5. Considerable knowledge of metals, including their strengths and failures and behavioral characteristics.

QUALIFICATIONS

Essential Knowledge and Abilities (continued)

- 6. Considerable knowledge of the principles, practices, and materials used in the repair of tires and tubes.
- 7. Working knowledge of supervisory principles and practices.
- 8. Working knowledge of division, department, and County electronic devices and computerized systems.
- 9. Ability to learn and utilize division, department, and County electronic devices and computerized systems to effectively perform duties and responsibilities.
- 10. Ability to safely perform work in the maintenance and repair of motor-driven equipment and vehicles.
- 11. Ability to diagnose mechanical failures and defects in wide variety of vehicles and equipment.
- 12. Ability to operate a wide range of vehicles and equipment for the purposes of diagnosing vehicle problems and ensuring repairs have been properly completed.
- 13. Ability to analyze situations, make appropriate decisions, and take appropriate action in a timely and effective manner.
- 14. Ability to work independently and as a member of a team.
- 15. Ability to keep accurate and detailed records and prepare and present verbal and written reports and recommendations.
- 16. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, coworkers, internal and external customers, vendors, and the public.
- 17. Ability to effectively interact with sensitivity with persons from diverse cultural, socioeconomic, educational, racial, ethnic, and professional backgrounds, and persons of all ages and lifestyles.
- 18. Ability to plan, organize, direct, and perform work in the maintenance and repair of vehicles and equipment.
- 19. Ability to follow, carryout, and provide verbal and written instructions.
- 20. Ability to safely operate various vehicle and equipment diagnostic and repair machines, tools, and equipment.
- 21. Ability to respond at any time during emergency situations to provide mechanical support for other County operations responding to emergencies.
- 22. Ability to perform moderate to heavy manual labor.
- 23. Ability to withstand exposure to favorable and unfavorable weather conditions.

Training and Experience

- 1. High School Diploma or GED.
- 2. Five (5) years responsible work experience in mechanical maintenance work.
- 3. Recognized post high school training directly in mechanical maintenance may be substituted on a year-for-year basis for up to two (2) year's work experience.
- 4. Valid driver's license.
- 5. Valid Class A Commercial Driver's License with airbrake endorsement within six (6) months of hire.