



## WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR

DEPARTMENT: PARKS & RECREATION

**GRADE 329**

### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS

Responsible for the safety of patrons at an aquatic facility and participants enrolled in swimming classes. A water safety instructor is responsible for teaching the latest swim strokes at all levels; by instructing, demonstrating and correcting individuals, in order for the individual to learn according to their potential.

### EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

1. Ability to safeguard and regulate the conduct of patrons to prevent unsafe practices and accident, and be alert to bather in distress.
2. Ability to strictly enforce policies, rules, regulations, laws and ordinances governing the conduct of those using the facility.
3. Ability to effect rescues and perform appropriate procedures, including the use of rescue equipment and first aid.
4. Ability to prepare reports relating to rescues, first aid and sanitation and assist in proper maintenance and sanitary operation.
5. Ability to complete swim lesson records and reports as required (attendance, progress of students and final analysis at the end of class session).
6. Ability to prepare needed equipment prior to classes, orientate parents when appropriate and set positive examples for students.

### REQUIREMENTS

#### A. Training and Experience

Current American Red Cross Life guarding, water safety instructor standard first aid and community CPR certifications.

B. Knowledge, Abilities and Skills

Considerable knowledge of the proper use and application of water safety, rescue and first aid techniques.

Maintain familiarity with the latest techniques, method of teaching and terminology.

Ability to maintain records and submit reports.