

MICHIGAN CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JOB SPECIFICATION

PLANT APIARY AIDE

JOB DESCRIPTION

Employees in this job perform routine inspections to ensure that apiaries, plants, trees, and shrubs are free from disease or insect pests.

Position Code Title - Plant Apiary Aide-E

Plant Apiary Aide E7

This is the experienced level. The employee performs a full range of Plant Apiary Aide assignments and uses independent judgement to make decisions in specific work situations.

JOB DUTIES

NOTE: Listed job duties are typical examples of work of positions in this classification. Not all duties assigned to every position are included, nor will all positions be assigned every duty. The general description of job duties does not authorize performance contrary to any state or federal licensing or certification requirements.

Inspects apiaries and apiary equipment to detect the presence of contagious diseases such as American or European Foulbrood, Chalkbrood, or Sacbrood.

Takes samples of suspected disease and sends them to departmental laboratory for analysis.

Quarantines and condemns apiaries infected with contagious diseases.

Destroys infected apiaries by poisoning bees with Resmethryn and burning hives.

Inspects plants, trees, and shrubs to detect diseases or the presence of insect pests such as gypsy moths, mites, or aphids.

Places and inspects insect traps at specific locations in accordance with predetermined activity patterns.

Verbally explains state agricultural programs, laws, and regulations to nursery owners, apiarists, and fruit growers.

Participates in in-service training.

Prepares and maintains records, forms, and reports.

Performs related work and other tasks as assigned.

JOB QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Ability to read, interpret, and apply standards, rules, and regulations relative to the work.

Ability to observe critically, obtain accurate data, and complete forms.

Ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions.

Ability to communicate effectively.

Ability to operate a motor vehicle.

Ability to meet and deal effectively with others.

Working Conditions

Work is seasonal in nature.

The job requires an employee to work outdoors under general supervision using judgment to distinguish disease or infestation.

Some jobs require an employee to be exposed to toxic substances (i.e., Resmethryn), extreme heat, and bee stings.

Some jobs require considerable travel by automobile.

Physical Requirements

The job duties require an employee to lift up to 80 pounds.

The job duties require an employee to be able to withstand extremes in temperature, particularly heat.

The job duties require an employee to be able to tolerate bee stings.

Education

Education typically acquired through completion of high school.

Experience

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No specific type or amount of experience is required.

NOTE: Civil Service can individually evaluate equivalent combinations of education and experience providing required knowledge, skills, and abilities to qualify.

Special Requirements, Licenses, and Certifications

Possession of a valid Michigan driver's license.

See individual position descriptions for other requirements.

JOB CODE, POSITION TITLES AND CODES, AND COMPENSATION INFORMATION

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