

FARM WORKER*

Function of Job:

Under direct supervision from a designated supervisor, perform routine farm work duties, such as caring for farm animals, operating farm equipment and machinery, supervising student/hourly workers, and maintaining a safe and sanitary farm environment.

Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Feed and care for farm animals, including milking cows.
2. Supervise students working with animals in the areas of equine, swine, and dairy.
3. As required, maintain computerized records and reports, such as spreadsheets of animal injections and vaccinations.
4. Ensure compliance with various regulations and procedures regarding storage of drugs, disposal of needles, etc.
5. Operate various farm machinery and equipment.
6. Plant, cultivate, and harvest crops.
7. Ensure compliance with cleanliness and safety procedures and standards for farm areas.
8. Develop and maintain familiarity with animal diseases, such as mad cow and hoof-and-mouth disease, and report sick animals to supervisor.
9. Perform related duties as assigned.

Minimum Acceptable Qualifications:

1. General knowledge of farm work and one year of experience in general farm work or equivalent educational background.
2. Ability and willingness to follow instructions.
3. Computer skills as required by department.
4. Sufficient strength and physical dexterity to perform duties and responsibilities of this job, including heavy work with exposure to inclement weather conditions for prolonged periods of time.
5. Must be able to wear and use appropriate personal protective equipment as necessary.
6. Must pass drug and alcohol screening tests as mandated by Department of Transportation agency regulations.

Additional Desirable Qualifications:

1. High school graduation.
2. Vocational training in agriculture and/or machinery maintenance and repair.
3. Additional experience beyond minimum.

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