LIFE SAFETY EQUIPMENT MECHANIC*

Function of Job:

Under general supervision of designated supervisor, to perform on site inspections, prescribed maintenance service and repair to fire extinguishers/life safety equipment and maintain building data base.

Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Repair, test and recharge fire extinguishers for conformity with legal specifications, using hand tools and hydrostatic test equipment.
2. Perform monthly visual/operational inspections in assigned buildings of fire extinguishers, exit signs, emergency lights for egress, smoke/fire doors and handrails, and submit maintenance requests for action, as required.
3. Work in conjunction with campus police to identify and recover fire extinguishers.
4. Gather monthly data for all life safety equipment in order to maintain accurate building data base inventory and preventive maintenance program on fire extinguishers.
5. Test battery operated smoke detectors semi-annually and replace batteries as needed in assigned campus buildings.
6. Install cabinets and brackets to hold extinguishers.
7. Keep informed of current and future fire/safety codes applicable to life safety equipment.
8. Provide recommendations/information to the campus community regarding code requirements for fire extinguishers, as appropriate.
9. Meet with vendors and contractors to receive/provide information.
10. Perform other duties as assigned.

Minimum Acceptable Qualifications:

1. High school graduation and two years of experience as a preventive maintenance mechanic or performing similar work.
2. Mechanical aptitude.
3. Knowledge of fire extinguisher maintenance, repair and operation.
4. Knowledge of building code requirements for fire extinguisher/cabinet installations.
5. Good communication skills.
6. Valid motor vehicle operator's license.

Additional Desirable Qualifications:

1. Experience as a firefighter.

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