Specification for Class of

COOK 2 Abolished Effective July 1, 2007

<u>Definition</u>: Supervises and participates in the preparation and service of all food on a shift in an institution; supervises the in-service vocational training program for resident culinary help on a shift; or, within a Department of Social and Health Services residential facility, cooks and leads other culinary staff, or cooks in a group home.

Typical Work

Supervises and participates in large-scale preparation and service of food on assigned shift; prepares main entrees as directed; anticipates and performs preliminary preparation necessary for next day's meals;

Performs meatcutting work; bones fish and fowl; cleans prawns; wraps and stores meat; cooks meat, fish, and poultry;

Bakes pies, cakes, and cookies and prepares other desserts; pits and grinds fruit;

Inspects food being prepared to ensure proper quantity, quality, and handling; instructs and trains employees and detail kitchen help in cooking, preparing, and handling food;

Operates mixers, ovens, choppers, shredders, steamers, grills, grinders, steam kettles, fry kettles, and other food equipment;

Assists in preparing menus and determining amount of food to meet menu requirements; keeps records; makes reports;

Cleans kitchen area; washes utensils and equipment;

Performs other work as required.

Knowledge and Abilities

Knowledge of: practices, methods and procedures of large-scale food preparation; food values and nutrition; personal hygiene, food handling, sanitation, and safety precautions; care and use of kitchen utensils and equipment; record keeping; report preparation.

Ability to: establish work methods and supervise and instruct others in cooking and kitchen work; establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with others; estimate quantities and follow large-scale recipes; follow written and oral instructions.

Minimum Qualifications

Two years' cooking experience in a large-scale food service or culinary operation.

Completion of course in large-scale cooking may be substituted for one year of experience.

OR

One year as a Cook 1 in State service.

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