

Specification for Class of

PARK RANGER 7

**Abolished Initially Effective January 13, 2006**

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Definition: Acts as principal assistant to Region Manager in the administration, development, maintenance, visitor services and law enforcement of State parks or park areas in an assigned Region.

Distinguishing Characteristics: Positions in this class may be assigned duties as Assistant Regional Manager, Chief of Law Enforcement and Visitor Safety, or as Operations Division Program Planner.

Typical Work

Assists the Regional Supervisor in planning and implementation of internal policies for the operation of regional programs; assists in preparation of biennial budget;

Schedules inspections of regional parks and areas to provide coordination of maintenance, visitor protection, interpretation and construction programs; with region team conducts inspections to ensure proper operation, funding, and/or maintenance;

Evaluates regional programs to ensure compliance with agency policy, i.e., region-wide Master Equipment Plan; as region trouble-shooter recommends solutions regarding specific park related problems;

Assumes responsibility for regional activities during temporary absence of Regional Supervisor;

As regional Training Officer, is responsible for planning, coordinating, and conducting regional in-service training, i.e., Lifeguard & Fire Protection Programs;

Carries out various special projects and assignments as directed by the supervisor; may represent the agency and/or Regional Supervisor at meetings and functions as directed;

Responsible for planning, development, and coordination of the State-wide State Parks law enforcement and visitor protection program;

As Program Planner, develops and maintains division plans regarding park operations, maintenance, law enforcement, forestry, youth programs, and interpretive programs;

Performs other work as required.

#### Knowledge and Abilities

Knowledge of: policies, procedures, and rules of Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission; operation and maintenance of parks and public recreation areas; geography, points of interest, and recreation areas of State.

Ability to: plan, organize, and direct work of others; accurately analyze park operational problems and adopt effective courses of action; establish and maintain cooperative relationships with the general public and employees; prepare clear, concise reports; must be commissioned State Parks Law Enforcement Officer.

#### Minimum Qualifications

A Bachelor's degree with major study in Parks Administration, Outdoor Recreation, Conservation, Forestry or closely allied field and one year of experience as a Park Ranger 6 or two years of experience as a Park Ranger 5, or equivalent in former Ranger Manager class series within Washington State Parks.

Additional qualifying experience may be substituted, year for year, for education.

An unrestricted (other than corrective lenses) driver's license.

NOTE: The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission will designate the need for a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with specific endorsements. Candidates selected for CDL positions will be tested for use of controlled substance and alcohol misuse as required by the 1991 Federal Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act.

NOTE: Applicants may be required to obtain the following license: Pesticide, Asbestos Supervisor, Water Treatment, Waste Water Treatment, Hazardous Waste Handlers.

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