

Lieutenant, State Park Police Officer

Salary Group: C05 Class Code: 9902

CLASS TITLE	CLASS CODE	SALARY GROUP
SERGEANT, STATE PARK POLICE OFFICER	9916	C04
LIEUTENANT, STATE PARK POLICE OFFICER	9917	C05
CAPTAIN, STATE PARK POLICE OFFICER	9918	C06
MAJOR. STATE PARK POLICE OFFICER	9919	C08

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs public safety and resource enforcement work in state park regions and surrounding communities. Responsible for statewide law enforcement training for the State Park Police Program. Work involves developing and implementing law enforcement and public safety training programs, conducting analyses of law enforcement activities, and providing law enforcement services and educational programs and activities to support conservation initiatives. May supervise the work of others. Works under limited supervision, with considerable latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Enforces Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, State park rules and regulations, Texas Penal Code, and relevant provisions of other Texas statutes and regulations.

Oversees, develops, and conducts staff training.

Serves as a primary instructor for the Texas Parks and Wildlife State Park Police Training Academy.

Conducts emergency management and homeland security operations.

Coordinates and plans special event emergency management and public safety operations.

Conducts criminal and administrative investigations, prepares complaints and cases for presentation in court, preserves and presents physical evidence, testifies in court, and reports disposition of cases.

Works closely with state, local, and county law enforcement agencies.

Establishes and implements procedures for intelligence-gathering techniques.

Prepares and maintains accurate documentation and records regarding investigations or law enforcement activity.

Provides specialized law enforcement training.

Occupational Category: Law Enforcement

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Presents and interprets information regarding statutes, regulations, policies, and procedures.

Reviews reports and paperwork for accuracy and completeness.

May supervise the work of others.

Performs related work as assigned.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Graduation from the Texas Parks and Wildlife State Park Law Enforcement Academy or Game Warden Training Academy. Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in criminal justice, corrections, criminology, police science, natural resources, or a related field is generally preferred. Experience and education may be substituted for one another.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of state and federal statutes and regulations pertaining to the enforcement of the Texas Penal Code, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department policies and procedures and policies; and relevant equipment, policies, procedures, and strategies to promote effective local, state, or national security operations for the protection of people, data, property, and institutions.

Skill in solving complex problems, determining appropriate solutions and actions to be taken, and using appropriate judgment in selecting a course of action.

Ability to interpret and apply state and federal statutes and regulations pertaining to wildlife and natural resources enforcement; to interpret and apply applicable provisions of the Texas Penal Code and Texas Code of Criminal Procedure; to plan, coordinate, and initiate investigations and program analyses; to identify, initiate, and implement unique and innovative investigative tactics and strategies; to prepare reports; to communicate effectively; and to supervise the work of others.

REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR LICENSURE

Must be licensed as a Texas peace officer by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

Must possess a valid driver's license.