NORTEC JOB SPECIFIC SKILLS COMPETENCY

DOG CATCHER (Government Series)
DOT CODE: 379.673-010 SVP 3

Job Description: Captures and impounds unlicensed, stray, and uncontrolled animals. Physical Demands - Medium lifting, carrying, or moving (up to 50 lbs); General Education Development - R3 MI L2; Aptitudes - Average Motor Coordination, Manual Dexterity, and Eye-hand-Foot Coordination.

CORE SKILL COMPETENCIES/INDICATORS:

1. Can demonstrate knowledge of laws, and regulations governing the licensing, quarantine, and impounding of small animals. (R, IN, S)
2. Can demonstrate knowledge of the symptoms of rabies and other common diseases affecting small animals. (R, IN, S)
3. Can demonstrate knowledge and ability to properly operate equipment pertaining to the trapping, caging, and tranquilizing of animals. (R, S, T)
4. Can demonstrate ability to control and care for animals effectively and humanely including the feeding of impounded animals, and cleaning kennels and cages. (R, I, S, T)
5. Can demonstrate ability to safely and humanely locate, capture, and impound small and large animals in violation of county codes using net, rope, or other device, including the loading and unloading of animals to and from truck cages to animal shelter or other destination. (R, I, S, T)
6. Can demonstrate ability to appropriately examine captured animals for injuries or malnutrition, and arrange for medical care. (R, IN, I, S)
7. Can demonstrate proper techniques used to euthanize rabid, unclaimed, or severely injured dogs, and appropriately dispose of same. (R, I, S, T)
8. Can demonstrate ability to examine animal licenses for validity and/or inspect establishments housing animals for compliance, and issue appropriate warnings or summons to delinquent owners. (IN, I, S)
9. Can demonstrate proper procedure for issuing new dog licenses. (IN, I, S)
10. Can demonstrate ability to tactfully and accurately investigate complaints of animal bites, inhumane treatment, and other related complaints. (IN, I, S)
11. Can demonstrate ability to write reports of activities, and maintain records of licensing, impounding and disposition of animals. (IN, S)
12. Can demonstrate ability to interact with the public in an effective and tactful manner. (I)
13. Can demonstrate ability to work under limited supervision within established framework of standard policies and procedures so as to avoid errors in work or judgment that could result in mistreatment of animals and/or poor community relations (R, IN, I, S, T)