

# Now accepting applications for WATER DISTRIBUTION OPERATOR I-III A

The City of Fairfield Water/Sewer Division is recruiting for Water Distribution Operators I-III A. This recruitment will establish an eligibility list to fill current and future Water Distribution Operator positions. Entry-level welcomed!



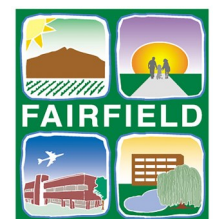
## ■ Description

Water Distribution Operators perform a variety of semi-skilled and skilled water and sewer maintenance work, contributing to the Water/Sewer Division's mission of ensuring the Fairfield community receives clean, quality water to drink, bathe and use for processing!

Water Distribution Operators work primarily outdoors in conditions which may result in exposure to chemicals, vibrations, raw sewage, toxic gasses, asbestos, high voltage, pesticides, natural gas lines, dead animals, variable weather and the hazards associated with working around traffic and heavy equipment.

The position is subject to emergency callouts. Positions in the Water/Sewer Division have mandatory rotational weekend and holiday standby duty. When on-call, a 30 minute response time to be on site with the City of Fairfield on-call vehicle, is required.

This physically demanding role requires lifting up to 100 pounds, standing, stooping, reaching, crawling, and climbing, working in confined spaces; manual dexterity is required.



Click [here](#) to learn more about the department

## ■ Minimum Qualifications

### All classifications require:

- ◇ Education equivalent to graduation from high school.
- ◇ Possession of a California Driver's License.
- ◇ Possession of, or the ability to obtain a valid California Class A Driver's License and a satisfactory driving record as a condition of initial and continued employment.

All classifications are safety-sensitive and subject to the Department of Transportation Drug Testing Regulations.

### Work Experience and Other Requirements:

*Required licenses, certifications and exams are a condition of continued employment. The City provides training and covers all expenses related to obtaining required certifications.*

#### Water Distribution Operator I (Entry-Level Applicants)

- ◇ Twelve (12) months experience in heavy manual work.
- ◇ California Department of Motor Vehicles Class A license - Within 6 months of appointment
- ◇ State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) WDO Grade I - Within 12 months of appointment
- ◇ California Water Environment Association (CWEA) CSM Grade I - Within 12 months of appointment
- ◇ State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) WDO Grade II - Within 24 months of appointment
- ◇ California Water Environment Association (CWEA) CSM Grade II - Within 24 months of appointment
- ◇ City of Fairfield Backhoe Proficiency Exam - Within 24 months of appointment
- ◇ City of Fairfield Truck & Loader Proficiency Exam - Within 24 months of appointment

#### Water Distribution Operator II

- ◇ Two (2) years experience as a WDO I with the City of Fairfield or the equivalent.
- ◇ State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) WDO Grade II
- ◇ California Water Environment Association (CWEA) CSM Grade II
- ◇ All exams required of previous classification in series

#### Water Distribution Operator II A

- ◇ Two (2) years of experience as a WDO II with the City of Fairfield or the equivalent.
- ◇ State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) WDO Grade II
- ◇ California Water Environment Association (CWEA) CSM Grade II
- ◇ City of Fairfield Written Proficiency Exam
- ◇ All exams required of previous classification in series

#### Water Distribution Operator III

- ◇ Two (2) years of experience as a WDO II A with the City of Fairfield or the equivalent.
- ◇ State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) WDO Grade III
- ◇ California Water Environment Association (CWEA) CSM Grade III
- ◇ All exams required of previous classification in series

#### Water Distribution Operator III A

- ◇ Two (2) years experience as a WDO III with the City of Fairfield or the equivalent.
- ◇ State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) WDO Grade III
- ◇ California Water Environment Association (CWEA) CSM Grade III
- ◇ City of Fairfield Practical Proficiency Exam
- ◇ All exams required of previous classification in series





## ■ Examples of Duties

Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:



- ◇ Operate construction equipment such as loaders, dump trucks, tractors, backhoes, rollers, tampers, water tanker, tapping guns, trenching machine, shoring, compressors, jackhammers, rodders, flushers, and self-contained breathing equipment for a variety of water and sewer maintenance activities.
- ◇ Participate in the installation, repair and maintenance of water meters and water valves, and water and sewer mains and laterals, and fire hydrants.
- ◇ Participate in testing and inspection of water meters/backflow devices.
- ◇ Raise and lower valve pots and manholes.
- ◇ Inspect sewer lines via Close Caption Television (CCTV).
- ◇ Clean and maintain basic tools and equipment used on the job.
- ◇ Mark water/sewer lines for Underground Service Alert "USA."
- ◇ Set up work area with safety signs, structures, and barricades as per MUTCD .
- ◇ Set construction meters, take readings for billing, take Ph, chlorine, turbidity samples, and complete necessary regulatory reports.
- ◇ Obtain bacteriological water samples and complete reports required for sampling.
- ◇ Take Ph, Chlorine, Turbidity samples and complete required reports.

## ■ Knowledge and Abilities

### **Knowledge of:**

- ◇ Methods, techniques, and tools used in the construction and maintenance of Water Distribution and Sewer Collection systems.
- ◇ Occupational hazards and standard safety practices including necessary OSHA regulations.
- ◇ Operation of equipment commonly used in water/sewer construction, repair and maintenance.
- ◇ Traffic laws, OSHA regulations, ordinances, and rules involved in truck and heavy equipment operations.
- ◇ Operation of light to moderately heavy power driven equipment related to the area of assignment.

### **Ability to:**

- ◇ Perform heavy manual labor for extended periods occasionally under severe weather conditions and in and around traffic for long periods.
- ◇ Read plans, maps, and City standard specifications. Fill out all necessary reports to submit to Senior Water Distribution Operator, or Water Maintenance Supervisor.
- ◇ Establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, supervisors, general public.
- ◇ Serve as crew lead Operator as assigned.



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## ■ Compensation

**\$28.12- \$45.98 (Hourly)**

**\$2,249.92 - \$3,678.00 (Biweekly)**

**\$4,874.83 - \$7,969.00 (Monthly)**

**\$58,497.92- \$95,628.00 (Annually)**

This position is represented by the Fairfield Employee's Association (FEA) and receives an excellent benefits package that includes:

- 6% salary increase effective July 2022\*
- 2.5% salary increase effective July 2023\*
- 5% salary increase effective July 2024\*
- CalPERS pension eligibility
- Generous contributions to medical, dental, and vision plans
- 50 hours personal leave (cashable) annually, plus vacation and sick leave
- City paid life insurance, deferred compensation and retirement health savings contributions

*\*Future salary increases are not reflected in the posted salary.*

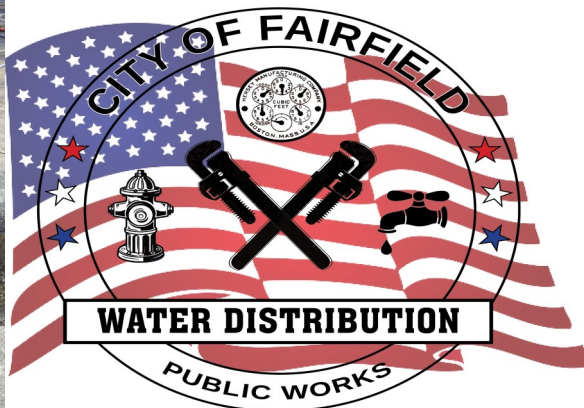
## ■ Benefits and General Information

To access the Benefit Summary Sheet for the Fairfield Employee's Association, click [here](#).

## ■ The Selection Process

Based on the information provided in the application documents, the best-qualified applicants will be invited for further examination. All applicants meeting the minimum qualifications are not guaranteed advancement through any subsequent phase of the examination. Depending upon the number of applications received, the examination may consist of an application screening, written and/or practical exam, oral interview, or any combination.

Candidates must submit an online application via NeoGov/Governmentjobs.com by 5:00 p.m. of the closing date. If you have any difficulties submitting your online application, please call NeoGov's Applicant Support Line at (855) 524-5627. If you feel you will need a reasonable accommodation for any portion of the testing/interview process, please contact Human Resources at (707) 428-7394 at least 1 week prior to the application deadline or examination date.



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