## **Gloucester County Job Description**



POSITION: Combination Inspector Building Inspections

JOB CODE: A345

FLSA: **Non-exempt** 

**GENERAL STATEMENT OF JOB:** Under general supervision, performs advanced technical and skilled work in the inspection of building, plumbing, mechanical, and electrical systems of residential, commercial, and industrial buildings and structures during various stages of construction, alteration, renovation and/or repair. Employee must exercise considerable tact, courtesy, and firmness in dealing with contractors, property owners, and the public. Reports to the Building Official.

#### **ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:**

- Performs residential, commercial, industrial building and structure, plumbing, electrical, and mechanical
  inspections for compliance with the USBC, County ordinances, and related state laws; uses electronic
  permitting system to prepare and complete inspection reports and plans review checklists; maintains all
  necessary reports and records pertaining to inspections and code enforcement work; and schedules follow up
  inspections in the electronic system as necessary until phase of project is completed.
- 2. Completes specialty inspections and plan review for fire alarm and suppression systems, amusement rides, and complaint and violation inspections.
- 3. Answers code related questions from design professionals, contractors, builders and private citizens, both over the phone and in person; takes inspection requests over the telephone, in person and from call-in line and prepares inspection request forms.
- 4. Assists designers, contractors, builders and private citizens with code requirements and interpretations; provides useful handouts and/or necessary forms, documents, etc.; directs individuals to proper departments or agencies for help and assistance; investigates complaints with regard to defective construction. Testifies in court in code violation cases, as necessary.
- 5. Attends and participates in meetings, prepares correspondence, works/interacts with builders and contractors to advise them of code changes and violations at construction sites.
- 6. Performs property maintenance inspections, per USBC, and enforcement of codes.
- 7. Reviews and studies Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBS), National Electrical Code (NEC) and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) regulations as well as other County codes and ordinances to stay informed of changes in trade area(s) of expertise; attends training and completes necessary classes to maintain required inspection certification.
- 8. Attends code update training as mandated by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development and other relative job related training and/or meetings as directed by the Building Official.
- 9. Conducts disaster assessments.
- 10. Assists building official in periodic contractor code update classes.
- 11. Performs other duties as assigned.

#### **EMPLOYEE UTILIZATION IN ADVERSE WEATHER AND EMERGENCY CONDITIONS**

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All Gloucester County employees are subject to being assigned to specific positions and tasks during a "Declared Emergency" as support personnel, by the County Administrator, the Emergency Management Director, or the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). Once assigned, this would be the same as a regular work assignment and all policies and procedures for duty assignments apply. (Please see Gloucester County Administrative Policy 101.1 - Employee Utilization in Adverse Weather and Emergency Conditions.)

#### **JOB LOCATION AND CONDITIONS:**

Duties are performed indoors and outdoors and the individual may be exposed to hazards, inclement weather, dust, etc.

## **REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:**

Thorough knowledge of Gloucester County codes and ordinances; State and Federal codes as they pertain to building, mechanical, electrical and plumbing standards.

General knowledge of and proficiency with personal computers and commonly used Microsoft Office software products.

Ability to prepare reports, records, certificates of occupancy, stop work orders, etc., using prescribed formats.

Ability to speak to people with poise, voice control, and confidence.

Ability to deal effectively with people beyond giving and receiving instructions.

Ability to perform under varied levels of stress.

Ability to comprehend or understand instructions and underlying principles; to reason and make judgments; to understand and follow oral and written instructions; to make decisions in accordance with established procedures and policies; to guide and/or give instructions.

Ability to comprehend language, to understand relationships between words, and to understand meanings of whole sentences and paragraphs. To present information or ideas clearly. Ability to speak/talk, hear/listen and read.

Ability to perform arithmetic operations; to perform accurate calculations aided by calculator, adding machine or measurement device.

Ability to comprehend forms in space and understand relations of plane and solid objects.

Ability to perceive or comprehend by the sense of sight, differentiate between colors (color perception), and determine distance relationship between objects (depth perception).

### **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

Possession of a high school diploma, supplemented by college coursework in engineering, construction management or architecture.

Minimum five (5) years of experience in building, electrical, plumbing or mechanical trades and three (3) years of experience as a certified inspector in a local government setting.

## **NECESSARY SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS:**

ICC = International Code Council, DHCH = Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development

Possession of ICC or DHCH certifications as Combination Inspector One & Two Family Dwelling and Combination Inspector General.

Possession of a valid driver's license; possess and maintain a driving record that meets established Gloucester County Driving Standards.

Pass a post-offer, pre-employment physical examination and may be subject to subsequent physical examinations to ensure he/she meets job-related physical requirements.

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# PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

C= Continuous – over 6 hours a day F= Frequent – between 3 and 6 hours a day					O= Occasional – less than 3 hours a day I= Intermittent–several times a week/month  P= Periodic – several times a year N/A= Not applicable to position									
LIFT/CARRY	С	F	0	I	Р	N/A	EQUIPMENT USAGE & OPERATION	С	F	0	I	Р	N/A	
1 to 10 lbs.		$\boxtimes$					Standard Office Equip.		$\boxtimes$					
11 to 20 lbs.				$\boxtimes$			Motor Vehicle		$\boxtimes$					
21 to 50 lbs.					$\boxtimes$		Vehicle requiring CDL						$\boxtimes$	
51 to 75 lbs.						$\boxtimes$	Other (explain)						$\boxtimes$	
76 to 100 lbs.						$\boxtimes$								
							WORK WITH/NEAR	С	F	0	I	P	N/A	
PUSH/PULL	С	F	0	I	P	N/A	Machinery			$\boxtimes$				
1 to 10 lbs.		$\boxtimes$					Electricity			$\boxtimes$				
11 to 20 lbs.				$\boxtimes$			Power Tools			$\boxtimes$				
21 to 50 lbs.					$\boxtimes$		Chemicals						$\boxtimes$	
51 to 75 lbs.						$\boxtimes$	Fumes						$\boxtimes$	
76 to 100 lbs.						$\boxtimes$	Heights			$\boxtimes$				
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MOVEMENT	С	F	0	I	P	N/A	ENVIRONMENT	С	F	0	I	P	N/A	
Carrying		$\boxtimes$					Indoors		$\boxtimes$					
Bend/Stoop/Twist		$\boxtimes$					Outdoors		$\boxtimes$					
Kneel/Crawl			$\boxtimes$				Extreme Heat					$\boxtimes$		
Reach Above Shoulders			$\boxtimes$				Extreme Cold					$\boxtimes$		
Reach Below Shoulders			$\boxtimes$				Dusty				$\boxtimes$			
Grasp/Squeeze		$\boxtimes$					Excessive Noise				$\boxtimes$			
Climb Stairs/Ladder			$\boxtimes$				Other (explain)						$\boxtimes$	
Uneven Walking Surface		$\boxtimes$					_							
Even Walking Surface		$\boxtimes$					V	VISION REQUIREMENTS						
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ENDURANCE	С	F	0	I	Р	N/A		Depth Perception						
Stationary Position (stand or sit)			$\boxtimes$					Color Vision						
Move, Traverse (walk)		$\boxtimes$						Peripheral Vision						
Operate, Activate, Use, Prepare, Inspect, Place, Detect, Position (use of	$\boxtimes$						20/40 eyes;	Uncorrected/Corrected vision 20/40 or better in one or both eyes; 100 degrees, or better, horizontal vision in one or both eyes						