

Camp Aquatics Director Tompkins County

Department: Municipalities and Schools

Classification: Full-time Competitive, Part-time Non-competitive

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

A Camp Aquatics Director must be at least 21 years of age **AND**

Must have at least three (3) seasons of previous waterfront experience as a lifeguard and/or camp aquatics director. **AND**

He or she must also possess current CPR for the Professional Rescuer (not exceeding one year in duration) issued by the American Red Cross; **OR**

Possess a CPR certificate (not exceeding one year in duration) from some other certifying agency determined by the State Commissioner of Health as providing an adequate level of CPR training.

In addition he or she must either be a progressive swimming instructor **OR** a qualified lifeguard certified for the type of bathing facility at the children's camp.

Tompkins County is Committed to Equity and Inclusion. We encourage those with similar values to apply.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS:

Possession of American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification is required at the time of application.

Possession of American Red Cross Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) for the Professional Rescuer, or comparable certification, is required at the time of application.

NOTE: To be eligible to conduct swimming and water safety classes a Camp Aquatics Director **must** possess a American Red Cross certification (or comparable training certificate) as a water safety instructor **or** as an instructor of beginning swimming.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

A Camp Aquatics Director shall establish and oversee all activities in and on the water at a pool or bathing beach, supervising Lifeguards and looking after the safety and welfare of others. The work consists primarily of maintaining the safety of campers enjoying swimming and other water sport activities. The incumbent will conduct swimming instruction and water safety classes as assigned. Employees in this class must be constantly alert to assist swimmers when they are in difficulty and to enforce safety rules. While on duty at the waterfront, the Camp Aquatics Director shall not be engaged in any other duties or activities that might distract them from the direct supervision of the Lifeguards or the waterfront. An error in judgment could result in loss of life. The work is performed under the direct supervision of a Swimming Area Director, Camp Director, Assistant Camp Director or other appropriate supervisory personnel. The incumbent will perform all related duties as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Supervises the work of Lifeguards;

Stands watch at pools and/or patrols the park waterfront, keeping bathers within bounds and going to their aid when they are in difficulty;

Applies resuscitation techniques and otherwise renders first aid when necessary;

May conduct beginning and advanced swimming and diving classes;

Keeps locker rooms, poolside and beach areas free of glass and other debris;

Maintains order and enforces safety rules;

Performs other routine duties such as maintaining and repairing equipment.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of first aide, lifesaving, and rescue work as applied to accidents in the water;
Good knowledge of current methods used in swimming and diving instruction;
Ability to supervise Lifeguards;
Ability to swim well;
Ability to deal effectively with the public and others and to secure their cooperation;
Ability to keep records and make simple reports;
Excellent powers of observation;
Mental alertness; integrity; and an excellent physical condition are all required;
The employee's physical condition shall be commensurate with the demands of the position.

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