

PAINTER I

PURPOSE AND NATURE OF WORK

Purpose of work is to apply paint and similar materials to various surfaces, primarily interior and exterior walls. Positions require semi-skilled preparation and painting work with a brush or spray gun and occasionally requires working from scaffolding and ladders. Employees work under the direction of a superior with considerable latitude in determining materials and work methods used. However, work is subject to inspection during progress and upon completion.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK (Note: These examples are intended only to illustrate the various types of work performed by incumbents in this class. All of the duties performed by any one incumbent may not be listed, nor does any incumbent necessarily perform all of these duties.)

Inspects surfaces to determine the preparations necessary before applying the paint, stain, sealers, lacquers, bleaches, fillers, etc. Erects scaffolding when necessary. Prepares surfaces for painting using sandpaper, burners, scrapers, and sanding machines. Determines amount of paint, stain, sealer, etc. and mixes and matches paints and stains using the proper proportion of pigment, base, and thinner. Applies paints, lacquer, varnishes, sealers, bleaches, fillers, and stains as needed to the interior and exterior of buildings, furniture, and equipment. Assists Painter II when necessary. May assist other skilled tradesmen when necessary.

Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

Knowledge of the standard practices, techniques, and materials of the trade such as paints, varnishes, stains, shellacs, lacquers, enamels, solvents, etc.

Knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions of the trade.

Ability to interpret and work from sketches, rough layouts, standard drawings, and specifications.

Ability and willingness to work from ladders and high scaffolds.

Ability to follow moderately complex oral and written instructions.

Ability to compute estimates of paint requirements for project work.

Ability to establish and maintain effective relationships with superiors and other employees.

Skill in the application of paints and other finishes by brush and air guns.

Skill in mixing paints in matching, blending, harmonizing, and contrasting colors, tints, and shades.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Ability to read and write and some experience in interior and exterior painting work at the apprentice level; or any equivalent combination of training and experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of the appropriate class of Louisiana driver's license