

MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR II

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is primarily skilled work in the operation of vehicles rated at over 26,000 lbs. Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) as well as other motorized equipment. The work also includes laboring duties related to the use of the vehicles, such as loading and unloading, minor maintenance, etc. When such work is not available, employees in this class perform other routine unskilled and semi-skilled laboring duties. This work is distinguished from Motor Equipment Operator I (MEO I) and Motor Equipment Operator III (MEO III) by the size and kind of vehicles regularly required to be operated. While a Motor Equipment Operator II (MEO II) may tow vehicles over 10,000 lbs. GVWR on a limited basis as described below, if appropriately licensed, an MEO III may regularly operate a tractor-trailer combination as well as other heavy-duty equipment as described below. An MEO II and an MEO III require different classes of commercial driver's licensure in accordance with New York State driver licensing standards. Supervision is received from a higher-level position. Work guidance (e.g., lead work) may be provided to others. During periods of emergency work, employees in this class may be required to work at other than normal working hours. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Operates trucks, including those over 26,000 lbs. GVWR, for hauling materials, transporting personnel and equipment to jobs, carting debris for disposal, etc.;

Operates similar size trucks and snow plows including rotary plows, for clearing snow and the spreading of salt and sand;

Operates mowers, compressors, rollers of any weight, front-end loaders, street sweepers, motor graders, small backhoes, belt loaders and similar heavy equipment used in the construction and maintenance of roads, sidewalks, culverts, bridges, drainage systems, landscaped areas, etc.;

Performs routine equipment maintenance duties and makes minor mechanical repairs;

Performs a variety of unskilled and semi-skilled laboring tasks as required;

May tow vehicles of more than 10,000 lbs. of GVWR such as "dump trailers" and blacktop rollers with hydraulic wheels, if appropriately licensed;

May lead in or direct others in laboring activities;

May operate equipment classified for Motor Equipment Operator III for up to six (6) months in training for appointment to such position as long as appropriately licensed to do so.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Good knowledge of the operation of trucks including those over 26,000 lbs. GVWR, such as motor graders, front end loaders, sweepers, rollers over six (6) tons or small backhoes;* good knowledge of safety factors related to the operation of trucks and other motorized equipment; ability to operate trucks under construction conditions; ability to use common laboring tools and common hand tools used in carpentry, masonry, painting and mechanics; ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions; ability to provide work guidance to others.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Three (3) years of motor vehicle driving experience, six (6) months of which must have included training and/or experience in the operation of trucks over 26,000 lbs. GVWR or in the operation of at least two (2) of the following: motor graders, front end loaders, small backhoes or street sweepers.

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Possession of a valid driver's license appropriate for the type of motorized equipment to be operated which must be maintained throughout the course of employment in this title.
2. If assigned to drive heavy motor equipment, as defined by the Commercial Motor Safety Act, incumbents are required to possess a valid Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with required endorsements.

PROMOTION: One (1) year as a Motor Equipment Operator I which included or was supplemented by six (6) months of training and/or experience as described in the minimum qualifications above.

*Bucket loaders on tracks, backhoes on tracks (excavators), paving finishers, heavy-duty paving trucks and cranes are generally considered to be more difficult to operate and require more skill to operate, thereby placing them under the equipment associated with a Motor Equipment Operator III.