

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
JOB DESCRIPTION**

SENIOR MECHANIC

FLSA Exemption Status: Non-Exempt

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Job Summary

Assists supervisors in the assignment of work and instructs and directs the work activities of assigned employees on a daily basis; serves as supervisor responsible for shop operations and work activities of assigned employees on the weekends, holidays and during any absence of the supervisor; effectively uses a variety of hand, power and computer diagnostic tools and testing instruments to independently perform varied and complex inspection, diagnostic, overhaul and repair functions required for the maintenance of District revenue and non-revenue vehicles and equipment, including gas, diesel, electric, and CNG powered coaches, trucks, cars, fare boxes, fare collection equipment, small shop machinery, power tools, and other support equipment; practices safe work processes and contributes to the creation and maintenance of a safe working environment for self and others; and performs other related duties as assigned.

Distinguishing Characteristics

This is the advanced journey level classification within the Mechanic job series. Incumbents in this classification are distinguished from the lower-level mechanic classifications by the responsibility to assign, instruct and direct the work of designated employees on a daily basis and to serve as supervisor responsible for shop operations and the work of assigned crews on weekends, holidays and during any absence of the supervisor. Incumbents in this job classification must possess broad knowledge and complete understanding of the most complex mechanical maintenance tasks and duties as well as the ability to instruct and assist Mechanics and other assigned employees on the inspection, diagnosis, repair, and maintenance of District revenue and non-revenue vehicles and related equipment.

Supervision Received

Receives minimal supervision within a framework of standard operating policies and procedures. .

Supervision Exercised

Provides lead direction to designated crew(s) on a daily basis. Serves as supervisor on weekends, holidays and during any absence of the supervisor.

Essential Functions and Responsibilities

Assigns, instructs and directs the work of assigned employees on a daily basis; serves as supervisor on weekend, holidays and during the absence of the supervisor with full responsibility for shop operations and the work activities of assigned employees; Inspects, tests, troubleshoots, diagnoses, builds, rebuilds, overhauls and maintains all

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pneumatic, mechanical and electronic-related systems and components on RT revenue and non-revenue vehicles and equipment, including gas, diesel and CNG powered coaches, trucks, cars, fare boxes, fare collection equipment, small shop machinery power tools, and other support equipment; reads blueprints, schematics, job orders and wire numbers; safely operates District coaches and other vehicles in the course of performing assigned duties; performs essential functions of all classifications within the Mechanic job series as required; and performs other related duties as assigned.

Required Education, Experience, Knowledge Skills and Abilities

Any combination of education and experience that would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

Required Prior Education:

High school diploma or equivalent.

Required Prior Experience:

Two years of full-time experience successfully performing the duties and responsibilities of a Mechanic A within the District.

Licenses and/or Certificates:

Possession of a Mechanic A rating and/or possession of a Regional Transit Certification of ability to diagnose, repair, and overhaul electrical and mechanical systems for coaches, cars, trucks and other support equipment; possession of a Refrigeration Recovery/Containment Certificate Type II (per Federal EPA regulations); possession of a Class A California Driver's License permit with endorsement(s) on the first day of appointment, and the ability to obtain a Class A California Driver's License with endorsement(s) within 90 days of appointment; a satisfactory driving record; possession of a Forklift Operator Certification or the ability to obtain a forklift certificate within 90 days of appointment; required to obtain the tools for the Senior Mechanic by the end of the probationary period.

Required Knowledge of:

- Methods, materials, lubricants, tools, and equipment used in servicing, diagnosis, preventive maintenance, overhaul and repair of District vehicles and equipment.
- Principles of diagnosis and repair of gas, diesel, and CNG powered engines, fluid systems, electrical systems, power train and chassis.
- Mechanical principles of braking, heating, air conditioning, pneumatic and hydraulic systems and transmissions.
- Standard first aid and general shop safety practices, including the proper handling and disposal of blood-borne pathogens.

Required Ability to:

- Obtain and maintain a valid Class A California driver's license issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles with proper endorsements and current medical certificate.

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- Comply with drug and alcohol testing provisions for safety-sensitive employees as required by the FTA, Department of Transportation (49 CFR, Parts 40 and 655).
- Prioritize workload to ensure successful job performance for self and others.
- Effectively communicate technical instruction, provide on the job training, assign and direct the work activities of designated employees.
- Understand, interpret and implement District policies and procedures.
- Exercise good judgment and effectively solve practical problems; respond quickly, calmly and appropriately to emergency situations.
- Write work orders and routine reports in a clear and concise manner.
- Understand and effectively follow written and oral instructions.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Safely and effectively operate tools and equipment common to the trade.
- Read and understand schematics, operation, service and safety manuals, including schematic symbols, electrical drawings, pulse and logic circuits and operations microprocessors.
- Troubleshoot, diagnose, repair and/or overhaul electronic, electrical and mechanical systems for District coaches, vehicles and support equipment.
- Inspect, test, adjust, repair, replace, rebuild, and overhaul vehicle equipment, assemblies, sub-assemblies, and related equipment, machinery and tools.
- Safely operate District equipment and vehicles.
- Maintain attention to detail in a work environment of frequent interruptions.
- Work independently in the absence of supervision.
- Understand and follow guidelines for safe handling of toxic and/or caustic chemicals and other hazardous materials.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the performance of required duties.
- Perform essential functions of the job without causing harm to self or others.

Required Computer Skills with:

- Personal computers and Windows applications
- Multiple and designated computer based diagnostic tools.

Physical and Mental Requirements

The essential functions of this job are performed in both a shop environment and outside in various weather conditions, including extreme heat and cold. Work is performed on ladders, around moving vehicles, equipment and machinery with moving parts, under wet and slippery conditions and, occasionally, with hands in water. Incumbents may be exposed on a daily basis to excessive humidity, a dry atmosphere, intermittent loud noise and vibrations, dust, silica, fumes, smoke, gases, grease, oils, electrical energy, high-pressure clean natural gas and toxic and/or caustic chemicals.

On a daily basis, the essential functions of the job require incumbents to climb ladders, stoop, kneel, crouch, stand, and walk and occasionally to crawl into confined spaces; to extend arms and use upper extremities, finger dexterity and hand strength to reach, pick, pinch and grasp tools and controls and/or to feel the attributes of objects; to lift,

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and carry objects weighing up to 50 pounds; to push and pull objects weighing up to 150 pounds; to hear and talk to receive and communicate instructions and other information; to rotate neck left and right and bend neck forward and backward; to bend and twist torso; to read and see objects clearly within one foot to arms length, and occasionally to twenty feet, requiring a full field of vision and good depth perception with the ability to adjust focus and distinguish basic colors and shades of color; and to operate vehicles and equipment requiring the use of both feet and hands.