



## CITY OF DES PERES - JOB DESCRIPTION

**Job Title:** Lifeguard – Must be available Year Round  
**Department:** Parks and Recreation  
**Reports To:** Aquatic Specialist  
**Pay:** \$7.25 per hour

**Summary:** Responsible for performing work of routine difficulty in the enforcement of water safety, along with water park and facility regulations. Work is performed under the immediate supervision of the Aquatic Specialist. Work involves swimmer supervision and safety, enforcement of aquatic center rules and regulations, daily cleaning and maintenance of the aquatics department, being outdoors for extended periods in hot and humid weather and assisting with guest services, especially towels. Responsible for attending monthly in-service trainings and meetings as scheduled to maintain lifesaving skills. Work is reviewed for conformance to generally accepted standards of aquatic center operations and for compliance with the policies of the Des Peres Parks and Recreation Department.

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities include the following, however other duties may be assigned. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.**

- Enforces aquatic center rules and regulations by monitoring water and deck areas to ensure a safe swimming experience for the public.
- Conducts swim tests for pool patrons, as needed, before they are allowed to go into deep water or waves.
- Assists in the opening and closing of the aquatic center by setting up the concession area, deck chairs and pool lane lines.
- Performs necessary tasks to insure that locker rooms, pool, pool deck, concession area, pool entrance, trash receptacles, office, storage areas, locker rooms and grounds are clean and sanitary.
- Assists with member and guest services and customer relations related questions.
- Interprets policies and procedures to the public on site or by telephone.
- Attends staff meetings, in-services and other training sessions as scheduled to enhance job performance.
- Performs additional tasks as required.

### **Certifications Required**

Completion of formal Lifeguard Certification training by the American Red Cross, YMCA or Ellis Lifeguard Program, which includes Lifeguarding, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer, First Aid and Bloodborne Pathogens Training.

### **Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

- Knowledge of swim center rules and regulations
- Knowledge of standard water safety and lifesaving principles.
- Knowledge of first aid principles and practices.
- Considerable skill as a swimmer.
- Ability to communicate effectively in interpreting policies and procedures.
- Ability to work outdoors for extended periods in hot and humid weather.
- Ability to work as a team to complete tasks as requested by a supervisor.

### **Work Environment**

The indoor environment provides a safe and healthy work environment which is smoke and drug free. Occasionally, it may be wet and humid, as well as moderately loud. The outdoor work environment may result in exposure to extreme weather conditions such as heat, cold and humidity. May work near moving mechanical parts, in high and precarious places, around fumes or airborne particles and toxic or caustic chemicals and may be at risk for electrical shock.