



Title: Police Traffic Patrol Officer

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

SAFETY STATUS: Safety Sensitive Position

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of this position is to protect life and property, assist victims of violent crimes, apprehend criminals, prevent crime, and enforce state laws and local ordinances. This is accomplished by responding to 911 calls for service, gathering information, investigating traffic accidents, arresting subjects, patrolling the City, assessing the needs of victims and providing appropriate resources, and establishing a relationship with businesses and citizens.

REPORTS TO:

This position reports to Police Sergeants.

SUPERVISES:

None

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

Note: This information is intended to be descriptive of the key responsibilities of the position. The list of essential functions below does not identify all duties performed by any single incumbent in this position. Additionally, please be aware of the legend below when referring to the physical demands of each essential function.

(S) Sedentary	(L) Light	(M) Medium	(H) Heavy	(V) Very Heavy
Exerting up to 10 lbs. occasionally or negligible weights frequently; sitting most of the time.	Exerting up to 20 lbs. occasionally; 10 lbs. frequently; or negligible amounts constantly; OR requires walking or standing to a significant degree.	Exerting 20-50 lbs. occasionally; 10-25 lbs. frequently; or up to 10 lbs. constantly.	Exerting 50-100 lbs. occasionally; 10-25 lbs. frequently; or up to 10-20 lbs. constantly.	Exerting over 100 lbs. occasionally; 50-100 lbs. frequently; or up to 20-50 lbs. constantly.

#	Code	Essential Functions	% of Time
1	L	Responds to 911 calls for service by acknowledging the dispatch; assessing the response priority; driving to the location; contacting victim, complainants, and witnesses; completing police and accident reports; gathering information to determine if a crime has been committed; transporting prisoners to jails and other detention facilities; documenting observations; conducting traffic stops and issuing citations; requesting additional resources if needed; arresting subjects if appropriate; and completing incident reports.	75%
2	L	Conducts preliminary basic investigations by responding to incident locations; determining the type of incident; locating and identifying complainants, victims, and witnesses; identifying possible suspects; recording information; collecting and submitting evidence; completing the incident report; and obtaining warrants for suspects.	15%
3	S	Performs self-initiated patrol activities by actively looking for	10%



violations of state statutes, traffic laws, and City ordinances; enforcing traffic laws through traffic stops; contacting residents and business owners to identify quality of life issues; following up with citizens about prior complaints; conducting property checks; serving subpoenas and warrants; and making referrals to the appropriate City/County agency when appropriate.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

-Description of Minimum Job Requirements-	
Formal Education	Work requires knowledge of a specific vocational, administrative, or technical nature that may be obtained with six-months/one year of advanced study or training past the high school equivalency. Community college, vocational, business, and technical or correspondence schools are likely sources. Appropriate certification may be awarded upon satisfactory completion of advanced study or training.
Experience	Under and including one year.
Supervision	Work requires functioning as a lead worker performing essentially the same work as those directed and includes overseeing work quality, training, instructing, and scheduling work.
Human Collaboration Skills	Decisions regarding implementation of policies may be made during interactions. Contact may involve support of controversial positions or the negotiation of sensitive issues or important presentations.
Freedom to Act	Receives Direction: Within this job, the employee normally performs the duty assignment after receiving general instructions as to methods, procedures, and desired end results. The employee has some opportunity for discretion when making selections among a few, easily identifiable choices. The assignment is usually reviewed upon completion.
Technical Skills	Basic: Work requires the use of standard technical skills appropriate to the work environment of the organization.
Fiscal Responsibility	Has no budgetary/fiscal responsibility.
Reading	Advanced - Ability to read literature, books, reviews, scientific or technical journals, abstracts, financial reports, and/or legal documents. Ordinarily, such education is obtained at the college level or above. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.
Math	Basic - Ability to perform the four basic arithmetic operations. Ordinarily, such education is obtained in elementary school up to high school. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.
Writing	Advanced - Ability to write editorials, journals, speeches, manuals, or critiques. Ordinarily, such education is obtained at the college level or above. However, it may be obtained from experience and self-study.
Certification &	Peace Officer Certification, Valid Texas Driver's License



Other Requirements

OVERALL PHYSICAL STRENGTH DEMANDS:

-Physical strength for this position is indicated below with "X"-				
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PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

C Continuously <small>2/3 or more of the time.</small>	F Frequently <small>From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time.</small>	O Occasionally <small>Up to 1/3 of the time.</small>	R Rarely <small>Less than 1 hour per week.</small>	N Never <small>Never occurs.</small>
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Note: This is intended as a description of the way the job is currently performed. It does not address the potential for accommodation.

-Physical Demand-	-Frequency-	-Brief Description-
Standing	F	communicating with co-workers, observing work site, observing work duties
Sitting	F	driving
Walking	F	to other departments/offices/office equipment, around work site
Lifting	F	equipment
Carrying	F	equipment
Pushing/Pulling	O	equipment
Reaching	F	for supplies
Handling	F	paperwork
Fine Dexterity	F	computer keyboard, telephone pad, calibrating equipment
Kneeling	O	retrieving items from lower shelves/ground
Crouching	O	retrieving items from lower shelves/ground
Crawling	R	under equipment
Bending	O	retrieving items from lower shelves/ground
Twisting	C	getting inside vehicle
Climbing	R	ladders, stairs
Balancing	O	on ladders, on equipment
Vision	C	driving, observing work site, reading, computer screen
Hearing	C	communicating with co-workers and public and on telephone, listening to equipment
Talking	C	communicating with co-workers and public and on telephone
Foot Controls	C	driving
Other (specified if applicable)		



MACHINES, TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, AND HARDWARE:

Firearms, camera, telephone, copier, vehicle, fax, calculator, computer, and associated hardware and software

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS:

C Continuously	F Frequently	O Occasionally	R Rarely	N Never
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D Daily	W Several Times Per Week	M Several Times Per Month	S Seasonally	N Never
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-Health and Safety Factors-	
Mechanical Hazards	R
Chemical Hazards	R
Electrical Hazards	R
Fire Hazards	R
Explosives	R
Communicable Diseases	F
Physical Danger or Abuse	F
Other (see 1 below)	N

-Environmental Factors-	
Respiratory Hazards	W
Extreme Temperatures	S
Noise and Vibration	W
Wetness/Humidity	S
Physical Hazards	W

(1) N/A

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

Bullet proof vest, protective gloves, safety glasses, latex gloves, chemical suit, gas masks, baton, weapon, reflective vest, and boots

NON-PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

F Frequently From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time	O Occasionally Up to 1/3 of the time	R Rarely Less than 1 hour per week	N Never Never occurs
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-Description of Non-Physical Demands-	-Frequency-
Time Pressure	F
Emergency Situation	F
Frequent Change of Tasks	F
Irregular Work Schedule/Overtime	F
Performing Multiple Tasks Simultaneously	F
Working Closely with Others as Part of a Team	F
Tedious or Exacting Work	F
Noisy/Distracting Environment	F
Other (see 2 below)	N

(2) N/A

PRIMARY WORK LOCATION:

Office Environment		Vehicle	X
Warehouse		Outdoors	
Shop		Other (see 3 below)	
Recreation/Neighborhood Center			

(3)N/A



SIGNATURE – REVIEW AND COMMENTS:

I have reviewed this description and understand the requirements and responsibilities of the position.

_____	_____	_____
	Signature of Employee	Date
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Job Title of Supervisor	Signature of Supervisor	Date
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Job Title of Department Head	Signature of Department Head	Date

Comments: _____

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by individuals assigned to this position. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required. This description is subject to modification as the needs and requirements of the position change.