



ASSOCIATE SAFETY ENGINEER

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CONTINUOUS TESTING

Testing is considered continuous as Examination Applications (STD 678) will be accepted on a continuous basis and cut-off dates can be set at any time as departmental needs warrant. Cut-off dates will be announced on the "Notice of to Announce Cut-off Date." Applications postmarked or submitted in person after 4:30pm on the cut-off date will be held until the next administration. Dates printed on Mobile Bar Codes, such as the Quick Response (QR) Codes available at the USPS, are not considered Postmark dates for the purpose of determining timely filing of an application. Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Candidates who meet the minimum qualifications of the classification, as stated on this examination bulletin, may apply.

HOW TO APPLY

Examination Applications must have an original signature. It is the personal responsibility of each examination candidate to submit their application materials within the timeframe and in the manner specified on this examination bulletin. Examination Applications (STD 678) may be mailed or submitted in person by the cut-off date to:

MAILING ADDRESS:

Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

OR

SUBMIT IN PERSON:

Department of Water Resources
1416 9th Street, Room 320
Sacramento, CA 95814

DO NOT MAIL OR SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES OR DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES' FIELD OFFICES. Applications are available at Department of Water Resources' (DWR) offices, the DWR website: www.water.ca.gov/jobs/currentexams.cfm, local office of the Employment Development Department, the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), and their website: www.jobs.ca.gov.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED

Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of signed identification to each phase of the examination.



SPECIAL TESTING INFORMATION

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Question 2 of the Examination Application (STD 678). You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

An open/non-promotional list will be established for the Department of Water Resources.

Successful competitors will be merged onto the list in order of final score, regardless of date. The successful competitors' list eligibility will expire 18 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period. Competitors must then retest to re-establish eligibility.

TESTING PERIOD

Competitors may only test once during a 12 month period.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Under general direction, performs independently the full range of professional journey level safety engineering work in construction, electrical, and industrial functions related to the Department of Water Resources; conducts the more responsible and complex safety inspections, accident investigations, consultations, or journey level staff assignments related to construction, electrical, and industrial occupational safety and health; acts in a lead capacity over other program staff; and does other related work.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

This examination will consist of a **Qualification Appraisal Interview weighted 100%**. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained. Competitors who do not appear for the interview will be disqualified.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

All applicants must meet the minimum qualifications for this examination by the cut-off date.

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated below include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I, "or" II, "or" III, etc. For example, candidates possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

Either I

Two years of experience in California state service performing the duties of an Assistant Safety Engineer.

Or II

Experience: The equivalent of either:

1. Two years of experience as a safety engineer or safety consultant in the construction, electrical, or industrial disciplines, conducting safety inspections to identify hazards to worker safety and advise on their abatement in industrial or commercial establishments, government facilities, or construction sites. **OR**

2. Three years of professional construction, electrical, or industrial engineering experience. **AND**

Education: Equivalent to graduation from college with specialization in engineering or in a field directly related to occupational safety and health. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.) (Promotional candidates who are within six months of satisfying the experience requirement for this class will be admitted to the examination but they must meet the experience requirement before being eligible for appointment.)

Education:

Applicants **MUST** provide a copy of their college diploma or transcripts by the cut-off date as proof of completion of the required education. Competitors who fail to provide copies of diplomas or transcripts will be eliminated from the examination.



SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

In addition to evaluating the competitors' relative abilities as demonstrated by the quality and breadth of experience, emphasis in the examination will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each competitor's:

Knowledge of:

- 1) Purpose and functions of the various components of the CAL/OSHA program.
- 2) Principles, practices, and methods of construction, electrical, and industrial engineering, including those specifically applicable to safety engineering.
- 3) Operations, methods, equipment, and safety devices used in the State's work places and occupational safety and health hazards associated with construction, electrical, and industrial disciplines.
- 4) The Associate Safety Engineer State's safety orders covering construction, electrical, and industrial safety.
- 5) Applicable provisions of the Labor Code.
- 6) Policies and procedures relating to the operations of the CAL/OSHA program.
- 7) Methods and techniques used in safety inspections, accident prevention, consultation, training, and technical report writing associated with the construction, electrical, and industrial disciplines.
- 8) Methods of developing and presenting evidence in administrative and formal legal hearings.

Ability to:

- 1) Conduct safety inspections and accident investigations associated with the construction, electrical, and industrial disciplines, including the most difficult and complex, in work places throughout the State.
- 2) Gather and effectively analyze information.
- 3) Detect occupational safety and health hazards and unsafe working conditions and practices in the construction, electrical, and industrial disciplines.
- 4) Interpret and apply the State's safety orders, applicable provisions of the Labor Code, and the policies of the CAL/OSHA program associated with construction, electrical, and industrial disciplines.
- 5) Develop and maintain effective working relationships with employers, workers, labor organizations, the general public, and others encountered in the work.
- 6) Analyze situations accurately and take effective action.
- 7) Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- 8) Address groups and conduct seminars and workshops on construction, electrical and industrial worker safety.
- 9) Prepare technical reports and correspondence.
- 10) Act in a lead capacity and assist in training staff in occupational safety and health work in Department of Water Resources program functions and activities associated with the construction, electrical, and industrial discipline
- 11) Develop and present evidence, and represent the Division of Occupational Safety and Health or other components of the Department of Water Resources in administrative and formal legal hearings related to the construction, electrical, and industrial disciplines.

ADDITIONAL DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Willingness to undertake additional training as needs are identified: willingness to travel and work in an assigned area of the State; Keenness observation, tact, and maturity.

VETERANS PREFERENCE

Assembly Bill 372, signed into law by Governor Brown on August 12, 2013, changes the way the Veterans Preference process is administered by the State of California. Veterans Preference will be awarded as follows, starting on January 1, 2014: 1) Any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100 percent disabled veteran, who achieves a passing score in an entrance examination, shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligibility list. Any veteran who has been dishonorably discharged or released is not eligible for Veteran's Preference. 2) An entrance exam is defined, under law, as any open competitive examination 3) Veterans Preference is not granted once a person achieves permanent civil service status.

The California Department of Human Resources (CalHR) has information on how to apply for Veterans Preference on their website at www.jobs.ca.gov and on the Application for Veterans Preference form (CalHR 1093). Additional information is also available at the Department of Veterans Affairs website at www.cdva.ca.gov.

CAREER CREDITS

Career Credits will be granted.



GENERAL INFORMATION

The Department of Water Resources reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

It is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Department of Water Resources seven days prior to the test date if he/she has not received his/her notice. For an examination without a written feature it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Department of Water Resources at (916) 653-4838, TDD (916) 653-1804, three weeks after the final filing/cut-off date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

Applications are available at Department of Water Resources' (DWR) offices, the DWR website:

www.water.ca.gov/jobs/currentexams.cfm, local office of the Employment Development Department, and California Human Resources (CalHR) at www.jobs.ca.gov.

If you meet the requirements stated on the reverse, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. All candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

General Qualifications: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the classification.

Examination Locations: When a written or performance test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places in California as the number of candidates and conditions warrant. Ordinarily, qualifications appraisal interviews are scheduled in Sacramento and Los Angeles. However, locations of interviews may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open eligible list. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged into the appropriate lists in order of final test scores (except as modified by veterans preference credits) regardless of the date of the test, and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

Promotional Examinations Only: Competition is limited to employees who have a permanent civil service appointment. Under certain circumstances other employees may be allowed to compete under provisions of Rules 234, 235, 235.2. State Personnel Board Rules 233, 234, 235, 235.2 and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examinations. These rules may be reviewed at departmental personnel offices or at the Information Counter of State Personnel Board offices.

TDD is Telecommunications Device for the Deaf and is reachable only from phones equipped with a TDD Device. **California Relay Telephone Service** for the Deaf or hearing impaired: From TDD phones: 1-800-735-2929; From Voice phones: 1-800-735-2922.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For information regarding this examination, please contact Selection Services at (916)653-4838.