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VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR, REFRIGERATION AND AIR
CONDITIONING REPAIR, CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (CF)

Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Departmental Open, Non Promotional Examination
Examination Code: 5CEBB
Final Filing Date: Continuous

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER
The State of California is an equal opportunity employer to all, regardless of age, ancestry, color, disability (mental and physical), exercising the right of family care and medical leave, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, medical condition, military or veteran status, national origin, political affiliation, race, religious creed, sex (includes pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, and related medical conditions), and sexual orientation.

TESTING DEPARTMENTS
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR)

CLASSIFICATION DETAILS
Salary Range:
Alternate Range 7 (Alternate Range Criteria 011): $5,454.53 - $10,971.58 per month
View the classification specification for the Vocational Instructor, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair, CF classification.

WHO SHOULD APPLY
Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated below.
Once you have taken the Qualifications Assessment Examination, you may not retake it for twelve (12) months.

HOW TO APPLY
All applicants must complete and submit an Examination Application (STD. 678) and Qualifications Assessment
By mail to:
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Office of Workforce Planning
P.O. Box 942883
Sacramento, CA 94283-0001

Or in person at:
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
1515 S Street
Sacramento, CA 95811-7243
Attn: Office of Workforce Planning, 101N

If you are personally delivering your application and Qualifications Assessment, you must do so between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to the same street address as listed above.

Qualifications Assessments for Vocational Instructor, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair, CF are available from the CDCR website at: Vocational Instructor, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair, CF or in person at the street address listed above.

NOTE: Only applications with an original signature will be accepted.

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS
If you require special testing arrangements due to a verified disability or medical condition, mark the appropriate box on your Examination Application (STD. 678) and you will be contacted to make specific arrangements. You may also contact the Office of Workforce Planning at (916) 322-2545.
Candidates must complete and return the Vocational Instructor, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair, CF Qualifications Assessment along with his/her Examination Application (STD. 678). Candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will have their Qualifications Assessment rated.

All applicants must meet the minimum qualifications for this examination at the time he/she files his/her application.

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis and applicants will be tested as needed.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

**Experience:** Five years of journey-person work experience in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair. At least one year of the required work experience must be within the three years immediately preceding the issuance of the preliminary credential. (48 semester units of postsecondary vocational training, related to Refrigeration and Air Conditioning and verified by official transcript, may be substituted for a maximum of two of the five years of experience.) (Persons applying under this pattern may also use accumulated part-time work to meet the five-year requirement.)

(Possession of a valid California Teaching Credential which authorizes the holder to teach on a full-time basis a vocational course in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning may be substituted for the required experience.) and

**Education:** Graduation from high school or its equivalent. and

**Credential:** Possession of a valid California Teaching Credential which authorizes the holder to teach on a full-time basis a vocational course in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning. (Applicants who do not possess this credential may take the examination but must have on file with the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing an application for the Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair credential before appointment and must secure the credential within 120 working days after the appointment. After issuance, the credential must be maintained by completion of any examinations and course work required.)

Applicants must show their California Teaching Credential number, title, and expiration date on their Examination Application (STD. 678).

**NOTE:** High School Equivalence: Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Educational Development (GED) test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the candidate is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated above include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" 1, "or" 2, "or" 3, etc. For example, candidates who possess qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern 1, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern 2, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

**OUT-OF-CLASS EXPERIENCE:** A "completion of an out-of-class assignment" memorandum, dated within one year of assignment completion, is required to use as out-of-class experience to meet the minimum qualifications for examination purposes. Employees may obtain this documentation from his/her Institutional Personnel Officer/Personnel Liaison. Out-of-class experience without required documentation will not be considered for examination purposes.

**Conditions of Pre-Employment:** Pursuant to the Montoya School Safety Act of 1997, all persons offered employment with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Juvenile Justice, Education Services Branch shall undergo a thorough background investigation, prior to assignment. Pursuant to Education Code Section 45122 and Penal Code Sections 677 and 1192, "No person who has been convicted of a violent or serious felony shall be employed by a school district."

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

Must be willing to continue their educational development; work in a State correctional facility; participate in group-oriented treatment programs; maintain an empathetic and objective understanding of inmates and youthful offenders; maintain high standards of morals and speech; tact; patience; and emotional stability.

**SPECIAL PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Must be reasonably expected to have and maintain sufficient strength, agility, and endurance to perform during stressful (physical, mental, and emotional) situations encountered on the job without compromising their health and well-being or that of their fellow employees or that of inmates and youthful offenders.

Assignments during tour of duty may include sole responsibility for the supervision of inmates, youthful offenders and/or the protection of personal and real property.

**POSITION DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION(S)**

A Vocational Instructor, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Repair, CF, helps persons committed to State correctional facilities in CDCR prepare to become productive and contributing members of society by training them in the trade and vocational skills necessary to gain employment and by helping them to develop socially.
acceptable attitudes and interests. The instructors give both individual and group instruction; and, in many
instances, participate as members of an interdisciplinary treatment team. The instructors have responsibility for
supervising the conduct of the students while in the classroom or shop and may be called upon to assume
general custody responsibilities in time of emergency.

The Department stipulates that the instructor play an important role in the total rehabilitation process, as well as in
teaching the skills which will enable the individual to seek occupational opportunities.

Instructor’s tasks include: planning, assigning, and supervising work; maintaining control and discipline in the
classroom or shop; controlling all materials and equipment which may be used as potential weapons; preparing
courses of study and daily lesson plans; counseling students as to progress in the instructional program;
working with students in helping them set and meet educational, vocational, and rehabilitative needs and goals;
participating in program evaluation; participating in Trade Advisory Committee meetings; preventing escapes
and injury by students to themselves or others or to property; inspecting premises and searching students for
contraband, such as weapons or illegal drugs; and performing other related duties. Instructors may be assigned
as relief instructors, on a full-time basis, in specialties other than those for which they were hired. In addition,
they may work with treatment teams which combine the services of personnel in the custody, academic,
vocational, psychiatric, and casework areas.

The instructor has an important role of providing information of an educational nature which can help other
members of the team to better determine each student’s treatment needs. The instructor has responsibility,
once a plan is developed, for providing, through their classroom curriculum program, the type of experience
which is compatible with this plan.

Position(s) exist in the following CDCR institution(s):
Avenal State Prison, California Correctional Center, California Correctional Institution, Calipatria State Prison,
Centinela State Prison, Chuckawalla Valley State Prison, Correctional Training Facility, Deuel Vocational
Institution, Mule Creek State Prison, Pleasant Valley State Prison, Richard J. Donovan Correctional Facility,
California Rehabilitation Center, Salinas Valley State Prison, Substance Abuse Treatment Facility and State
Prison - Corcoran

EXAMINATION PLAN

EXAMINATION INTERVIEWS WILL NOT BE HELD. This examination will consist of a Qualifications
Assessment weighted 100%. To obtain a position on the eligible list, applicants must achieve a minimum rating
of 70.00% on the Qualifications Assessment.

The Qualifications Assessment is designed to elicit a range of specific information regarding each candidate’s
knowledge, skill, abilities, and potential to effectively perform the duties relative to the classification. Candidates
who meet the minimum qualifications will have their Qualifications Assessment rated and successful candidates
will be placed on an eligible list.

SUBMISSION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS ASSESSMENT IS MANDATORY.
Candidates who do not submit a completed Qualifications Assessment will be eliminated from this examination.

Qualifications Assessment -- Weighted 100.00%

Scope: Emphasis in the examination will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each
candidate’s:

Knowledge of:
1. Methods, materials, tools, machines, equipment, and safety principles involved in Refrigeration and Air
Conditioning.

NOTE: Willingness to learn principles, methods, practices, current developments and trends in vocational
education.

Ability to:
1. Perform the duties of a journeyperson in the field of Refrigeration and Air Conditioning.
2. Provide leadership and motivation to inmates/youthful offenders.
3. Teach and supervise inmates/youthful offenders.
4. Work effectively with other disciplines.
5. Read and use drawings and sketches.
6. Estimate and order supplies.
7. Analyze situations accurately and take effective action.
8. Maintain fair and firm discipline.
9. Keep records and prepare reports.

The Job Analysis identifies job duties and job requirements for the classification and may be referenced in
preparing for the examination. The Job Analysis for the Vocational Instructor, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning
Repair, CF, is available on the CDCR website at: CDCR Job Analysis

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

The resulting eligible list will be established to fill vacancies for CDCR.

Names of successful candidates are merged onto the list(s) in order of final scores, regardless of date. Eligibility
expires 12 months after establishment unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list(s) warrant a
change in this period.
VETERANS' PREFERENCE/CAREER CREDITS

Career credits or Veterans' Preference will be granted in this examination. Veterans who have achieved permanent civil service status are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference. If you receive Veterans' Preference, you cannot also receive career credits in this examination.

DRUG-FREE STATEMENT

It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free State workplace. Any applicant for State employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective, because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the State, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applications are available at CDCR, California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), local offices of the Employment Development Department, and through your CalCareer Account.

Veterans’ Preference: California law allows the granting of Veterans’ Preference in any Open examination. In accordance with Government Code Sections 18973.1 and 18973.5, Veterans’ Preference will be awarded as follows: 1) any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100% disabled veteran, who achieves a passing score in an open 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 Veterans’ Preference; 2) Veterans’ Preference is not granted once a person achieves permanent civil service status.

Directions to apply for Veterans’ Preference are available at the CalHR’s website by clicking on the following link: CalCareer Veterans. Additional information can also be found at the California Department of Veterans Affairs at CalVet Veterans.

Career Credits: California law allows the granting of career credits in Open, Nonpromotional examinations. Career credits are three points added to the final qualifying score of each competitor who is a state employee with permanent civil service status or employees who have a mandatory right of reinstatement to such a position; or a full-time exempt employee with 12 months consecutive service; or individuals who have served one full year in or are a graduate of the California Conservation Corps (CCC) (eligibility expires 24 months after graduation from the CCC). Effective January 1, 1983, AB 3325 (1982) eliminated career credits for classes designated by CalHR as managerial.

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation 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 applicants will be notified.

Examination Locations: If this examination requires a written test and/or oral interview, they will be scheduled throughout the State at the correctional institutions, youth facilities, and/or parole regions. However, locations of the written test and/or oral interview may be limited or extended as conditions change.

If you meet the requirements stated on this examination bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described in this bulletin will be rated against a predetermined job-related rating, and all applicants who pass will be ranked according to their score.

General Qualifications: Applicants must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, the ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination and fingerprinting may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. 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 the bulletin.

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