

ROAD PATROL COMMANDER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is important law enforcement work involving responsibility for the supervision of uniformed deputy sheriff personnel involved in marine, road patrol, transport, and other traditional law enforcement functions. The work is performed under the administrative direction of the County Sheriff. The incumbent holds the rank of Deputy Sheriff Captain and assists subordinates in coping with difficult law enforcement situations and organizes and coordinates the department's activities in responding to emergency situations. A Road Patrol Commander does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

- Supervises deputy sheriffs through subordinate supervisors;
- Assigns deputies to specific areas of patrol or investigation;
- Receives complaints from public concerning crimes and emergencies;
- Investigates illegal or suspicious activities of persons and quell disturbances;
- Serves court orders and processes;
- Contacts the Sheriff, Detectives or other department personnel who may be off duty while organizing on-duty staff to cope with major accidents, emergencies or crimes;
- May be designated as representative of the department in addressing civic groups or in dealings with other agencies;
- Interviews candidates for promotion or appointment to law enforcement positions in order to make hiring recommendations;
- Administers terms and conditions of employment as contained in collective bargaining agreements covering assigned subordinates;
- May respond to employee grievances and represent the Department at grievance hearings;
- Prepares and reviews a variety of records and reports associated with law enforcement work;
- Oversees the supervision and maintenance of departmental equipment;
- May patrol areas to enforce laws, investigate crimes, and arrest violators.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES, AND PERSONAL

CHARACTERISTICS: Thorough knowledge of modern principles, practices and techniques of police work; thorough knowledge of the New York State Penal Law, Vehicle and Traffic Law, Criminal Procedures Law and other applicable laws, regulations and ordinances; good knowledge of the local geography; good knowledge of the operation of radio equipment; skill in the use of firearms; ability to acquire skill in the use of special equipment including police radar and breathalyzers; skill in the operation of a patrol car; ability to plan and supervise the work of others; ability to apply first aid; ability to deal firmly yet courteously with the public; good powers of observation; ability to follow and communicate written and oral directions; good judgement; good character.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Candidate must be employed in the competitive class in the Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Department and have four years of permanent service as a Deputy Sheriff Sergeant or Police Sergeant or two years of permanent service as a Deputy Sheriff Lieutenant or Police Lieutenant.

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