

BAY CONSTABLE

Department: Public Safety Enforcement

Classification: Competitive

Specification Number: 4280

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

OPEN COMPETITIVE

Either:

a) Graduation from a college with federally-authorized accreditation or registration by NY State with an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice, Marine Conservation, Marine Transportation, Marine Maintenance or a related field; or,

b) Graduation from a standard senior high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma, and two (2) years of experience in marine conservation, marine transportation, marine maintenance, commercial fishing and/or clamming, as a member of the United States Navy, as a merchant able body seaman, or as peace or police officer as defined in sections 1.20 and 2.10 of New York State Criminal Procedure Law; or,

c) An equivalent combination of education and experience as defined by the limits of (a) and (b).

NOTE: Possession of a current United States Coast Guard Master's license, for which at least 360 days of service were needed to qualify for examination, will substitute for all experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

1. There will be a qualifying psychological evaluation*.

2. Candidates must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of appointment.

3. The incumbent will be required, after appointment, to obtain a Peace Officer Training Certificate recognized by the New York State Municipal Police Training Council. Those positions authorized by law under Section 2.10 of CPL to carry a firearm must also complete the Initial Firearms and Deadly Physical Force Course within 6 months of their appointment.

*At the discretion of the Appointing Authority, for appointees with other than competitive status, qualifying evaluations may be waived for candidates with current or prior status in a peace or police officer title who are in possession of current New York State MPTC certification as a peace or police officer within the following guidelines:

a.) Pursuant to §2.30 6) of Criminal Procedure Law:

Separated for less than 2 years after having served for less than 2 consecutive years as a peace officer in NYS, or;

Separated for less than 4 years after having served as a peace officer in NYS for more than 2 consecutive years

b.) Pursuant to §209-q 1) b) of General Municipal Law

Separated for less than 2 years after having served for less than 2 consecutive years as a police officer in NYS, or;

Separated for less than 4 years after having served as a police officer in NYS for more than 2 consecutive years, or;

Up to 10 years after separation with an approved police officer refresher course.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS

Under general supervision, an employee in this title patrols the Town waterways to enforce federal, state and local ordinances governing gamefish and shellfish conservation. Duties include operating a patrol boat or other vehicles to inspect fishing and clamming areas and prevent the removal of clams, oysters and other shellfish from seedbeds or polluted areas. The incumbent is responsible for enforcing navigation laws regulating the proper use and speed of craft in local waters. The incumbent works with limited supervision and is expected to use good judgment, firmness and tact in carrying out assignments. Work is reviewed through regular inspections, conferences and written reports. Does related work as required.

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TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES

Operates a patrol boat or other vehicle to enforce federal, state and local laws regulating hunting, fishing, clamming and boating in the Town waterways;

Installs and maintains channel buoys, dock and bulkhead lights, and navigation signs or signals relating to waterway regulations;

Investigates reports of boating accidents, drownings, hazards to navigation and other waterway activities and renders assistance and first aid;

Inspects seeding beds and polluted areas for illegal fishing and clamming; checks permits of fishermen and clambers; issues warnings and summonses to violators; makes summary arrests when required;

Checks harbor and waterway conditions following storms and submits reports on physical damage;

Investigates hazards to navigation, such as sunken or derelict craft, logs or debris.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Thorough knowledge of federal, state and town laws governing hunting, fishing, clamming and boating in local waters; good knowledge of the geography of Town waterways and water systems; good knowledge of the operation and maintenance of power boats, marine and harbor equipment; skill in the operation of a power boat; ability to make inspections and to enforce conservation and boating laws firmly, tactfully and impartially; ability to understand and interpret conservation and boating laws to the general public; ability to keep records and to prepare written reports; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.