

**STATE OF OHIO (DAS)**CLASSIFICATION  
SPECIFICATION**CLASSIFICATION SERIES**

Agriculture Environment Inspector

**SERIES NUMBER**

2113

**MAJOR AGENCIES**

Agriculture only

**EFFECTIVE**

09/21/2014

**SERIES PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the agriculture environment inspector occupation is to conduct inspections of permitted livestock facilities, investigate pollution & nuisance complaints, & non-permitted facilities, conduct trainings on permit requirements & emergency response, & enforce state & federal laws, rules & regulations regarding use of agricultural nutrients as it pertains to environmental impact.

This classification is to be utilized by the Ohio Department of Agriculture only.

**JOB TITLE**

Agriculture Environment Inspector

**JOB CODE**

21131

**PAY GRADE**

31

**EFFECTIVE**

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**CLASS CONCEPT**

The full performance level class works under general direction & requires extensive knowledge of agriculture, agronomy & soils, environmental standards & nutrient management & state & federal laws, rules & regulations regarding use of agricultural nutrients as it pertains to environmental impact on water quality &/or excessive impacts of insects, pests & odors in order to conduct inspections of permitted livestock facilities, investigate pollution & nuisance complaints, & non-permitted facilities, conduct trainings on permit requirements & emergency response, & enforce state & federal laws, rules & regulations regarding use of agricultural nutrients as it pertains to environmental impact.

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**JOB DUTIES IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE (These duties are illustrative only. Incumbents may perform some or all of these duties or other job-related duties as assigned.)**

Conducts inspections of permitted livestock facilities (e.g., reviews livestock facility permits to operate; ensures compliance to biosecurity protocols; inspects new facilities/construction), investigates pollution & nuisance complaints (e.g., locates environmentally sensitive areas by developing map of location & surrounding areas; conducts on-site investigations; determines immediate remedial actions), & non-permitted (NP) facilities (e.g., conducts site visits & determines legality of NP sites; reviews code requirements & advises NP facility of compliance process), conducts trainings on permit requirements & emergency response, & enforces state & federal laws, rules & regulations regarding use of agricultural nutrients as it pertains to environmental impact (e.g., pests, insects, water quality)

Develops environmental enforcement cases; reviews Ohio Revised Code (ORC) & Ohio Administrative Code (OAC); collects & verifies facts for violation or permits; consults with supervisor & assists other agencies with environmental enforcement investigations; assesses compliance history & develops penalty assessments for non-compliance; develops & submits compliance schedules; participates in settlement &/or environmental enforcement hearings.

Assists in administering Certified Livestock Manager program; maintains lists of active CLMs; responds to inquiries about CLM program (e.g., rules, recordkeeping, training); conducts CLM training; develops program overview presentations; delivers presentations to other agencies, environmental advocacy, & livestock production audiences; informs facilities about permit requirements; assists in providing emergency response trainings.

Maintains job related tools & equipment; prepares weekly schedules/itinerary; maintains facility files & contact information; completes inspection forms & reports (e.g., complaint/enforcement reports); maintains vehicle logs & coordinates vehicle & equipment maintenance; reviews professional journals & publications.

**MAJOR WORKER CHARACTERISTICS**

Knowledge of animal science, agriculture, agronomy, soils & nutrient management, & environmental standards; state & federal laws, rules & regulations regarding animals diseases; biosecurity procedures\*; livestock husbandry; water quality standards; permitting of livestock facilities\*; addition, subtraction, multiplication & division. Skill in operation of personal computer & related software\*; bio testing equipment\*; sample collection equipment\*. Ability to recognize unusual or threatening conditions & take appropriate action; interpret variety of instructions in written, oral, picture or schedule form; define problems, collect data, establish facts & draw valid conclusions; copy records precisely without error; complete routine forms; maintain accurate records; prepare meaningful, concise & accurate reports; handle sensitive contacts with operators of agricultural operations, other governmental officials & general public; prepare & deliver speeches before specialized audiences & general public; demonstrate physical fitness, agility & dexterity necessary to use test equipment.

(\*)Developed after employment.

**MINIMUM CLASS QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT**

Completion of undergraduate core coursework in agriculture or environmental related field of study including courses in animal science &/or agronomy & 2 yrs. exp. in agricultural &/or environmental related field AND valid driver's license to operate state vehicle

-OR 4 yrs. exp. in agricultural &/or environmental related field AND valid driver's license to operate state vehicle

-OR equivalent of Minimum Class Qualifications For Employment noted above.

**TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT REQUIRED TO REMAIN IN THE CLASSIFICATION AFTER EMPLOYMENT**

Obtain mortality compost certification & Incident Command System (ICS) certification within 12 months of employment.

**UNUSUAL WORKING CONDITIONS**

Works outside exposed to varying temperatures & weather conditions; exposed to odors, waste & noise of livestock/poultry; possible exposure to zoonotic diseases & may require prophylactic immunization; works non-standard work week; requires travel.