

DEPUTY SHERIFF II

DEFINITION

Under general supervision, to perform law enforcement and crime prevention work by patrolling assigned areas and answering calls and complaints; to investigate incidents and perform identification work; to serve as deputy coroner; and to do related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This is a fully trained journey level classification for the performance of professional law enforcement work. Incumbents perform a wide range of law enforcement assignments. While an incumbent may be assigned to a specific area of law enforcement, he/she must be capable of performing assignments in other areas.

REPORTS TO

Sheriff Sergeant.

CLASSIFICATIONS SUPERVISED

None.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

- Patrols assigned areas and answers calls for protection of life and property.
- Conducts preliminary investigations.
- Interrogates witnesses.
- Gathers evidence and takes statements in connection with suspected criminal activities.
- Substantiates findings of fact in court.
- Serves warrants/civil papers and makes arrests.
- Investigates accidents.
- Assists and cooperates with other law enforcement agencies, responding to incidents, conducting investigations and making arrests.
- Dispatches law enforcement personnel.
- May transport mental health clients.
- May be assigned to assist with fingerprinting or fingerprint classification work.
- Takes pictures or makes sketches at crime scenes.
- May lift latent prints and takes plaster casts at crime scenes.
- Searches files for information.
- May develop photographs.
- Keeps firearms and other equipment in good working condition.
- Prepares detailed reports of all activities and incidents.
- Functions as a Deputy Coroner.
- May be assigned to facilitate communications with other law enforcement agencies.
- May perform staff administrative duties such as training, background investigations, crime prevention, public relations, and school liaison work.
- May be assigned to assist with follow-up, in-depth investigations for the preparation of charges in criminal cases.
- May secure search warrants and criminal complaints, preparing detailed reports.
- May make public speaking engagements at schools, fairs, official meetings and service clubs, serving as a Department spokesperson.
- May function as an undercover officer to conduct in-depth investigations for the detection and prevention of the sale of narcotics and the arrest of drug offenders.
- May perform special law enforcement assignments such as Field Training Officer, Search and Rescue, SWAT, Canine, and other areas.
- As needed, act as the OES Duty Officer.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Sit for extended periods; frequently stand, walk, and climb stairs and ladders; walk on sloped, slippery, and/or uneven surfaces; ability to stoop, kneel, or bend to pick up or move objects weighing up to 100 pounds with help; crawl through various areas moving on hands and knees; physical ability to restrain prisoners; normal manual dexterity and eye-hand coordination; corrected hearing and vision to normal range; verbal communication; use of office equipment including computers, telephones, calculators, copiers, and FAX.

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TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS

Work is performed in office, detention facility, courtroom, and outdoor environments; unusual exposure to life-threatening situations; continuous contact with staff and the public.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Modern law enforcement methods and procedures, including patrol, crime prevention, traffic control, bailiff, and basic crime scene investigation.
- Laws of apprehension, arrest, and custody of persons accused of felonies and misdemeanors.
- Rules of evidence pertaining to search and seizure and the preservation and presentation of evidence.
- Laws applicable to the apprehension, retention, and treatment of juveniles.
- Recent court decisions affecting arrest procedures and the handling of suspects and detained persons.
- The general geography and topography of Plumas County.
- Use and care of Department authorized fire arms.
- First aid techniques.
- Principles of criminal identification and fingerprint classification.

Ability to:

- Perform a wide variety of professional law enforcement work.
- Understand and interpret laws and regulations relating to arrest, rules of evidence, and the apprehension, retention and treatment of prisoners and juveniles.
- Understand and interpret the Code of Civil Procedures and Civil Processes.
- Carefully observe incidents and situations, accurately remembering names, faces, numbers, circumstances, and places.
- Secure information from witnesses and suspects.
- Make independent judgments and adopt quick, effective, and responsible courses of action during emergencies.
- Write clear and comprehensive reports.
- Meet standards of adequate physical stature, endurance and agility.
- Demonstrate technical and tactical proficiency in the use and care for firearms.
- Operate a motor vehicle under critical and unusual conditions.
- Effectively represent the Sheriff's Department in contacts with the public and other law enforcement agencies.
- Establish and maintain cooperative relationship with those contacted during the course of work.

Training and Experience: Any combination of training and experience which would likely provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required knowledge and abilities would be:

One (1) year of previous law enforcement experience equivalent to Deputy Sheriff I with Plumas County.

Special Requirements: Graduation from a Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (P.O.S.T) certified academy.

Possession of First Aid and CPR certificates.

Possession of a current and valid California Driver's license issued by the California Department of Motor Vehicles.