

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

LOCATION:	Tioga County Municipalities
CLASSIFICATION:	Full-Time: Competitive Part-Time: Non-Competitive for populations under 5,000; otherwise Competitive
SALARY:	Varies by location
ADOPTED:	3/4/91; 03/19, Revised 01/20, 11/21, Tioga Co. Personnel & Civil Service

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves the responsibility for administering and enforcing the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code or a local fire and/or building code if approved by the State Fire Prevention and Building Code Council. Under general supervision, provides for the coordination of all activities relevant to ensuring compliance with the appropriate laws, codes, rules and regulations. A Code Enforcement Officer may supervise a small number of Building Inspectors, Zoning Compliance personnel and/or clerical personnel. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

- Administers, enforces and updates all provisions of New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (9 NYCRR), and other codes, laws, rules, regulations and zoning maps pertaining to the construction or alteration of buildings and structures;
- Advisor of planning activities to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board;
- Administers and enforces all provisions of the local code pertaining to the flood law, junk car ordinance, swimming pool ordinance and garbage and weed ordinance;
- Prepares rules and regulations, application forms, building permits, zoning reviews, zoning information and certificates of occupancy for the approval of the local governing body, to be used for the administration on enforcement of the various codes, laws, etc.;
- Supervises, coordinates and participates in the inspection of various stages of construction, and upon completion of construction of buildings and structures;
- Reviews intergovernmental programs and documents such as: FEMA, DEC, etc. relating to code;
- Has the authority to arrest code violators and file information with the court;
- Issues, denies or revokes building permits and certificates of occupancy as required;
- Issues written notices to correct unsafe, illegal or dangerous conditions in existing structures;
- Inspects, as necessary, buildings and structures for compliance with the fire Prevention provisions of the State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (this includes CDBG inspection and Section 8 inspections);
- Issues a certificate of occupancy for a building constructed or altered in compliance with the provisions of the Uniform Code;
- Maintains accurate records on all transactions and activities including all applications received, permits and certificates issued, fees charged and collected, inspection reports and notice and orders issued;
- Prepares a variety of reports relevant to Code Enforcement activities for the municipal government.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Thorough knowledge of modern practices, principles, materials and tools used in building construction; good knowledge of building trades; good knowledge of the State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and local Zoning Code; good knowledge of the principles of fire prevention; ability to write clear and concise reports and to maintain records in an orderly manner; ability to establish and maintain cooperative relationships with other public officials, building contractors and the general public; ability to read and interpret plans and specifications; ability to be firm

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but courteous, thoroughness; tact; good judgment; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from high school or possession of high school equivalency diploma and **EITHER:**

- a. Possession of an associate degree with specialization in civil engineering, construction technology, fire science or a closely related field and one year (1) of full-time experience or its part-time equivalent in building construction, firefighting or fire inspection; **OR**
- b. Satisfactory completion of 60 semester hours at an approved four-year (4) college or university in a program leading to a bachelor's degree in civil engineering, construction technology or a closely related field and one year (1) of full-time experience or its part-time equivalent as defined in (a); **OR**
- c. Three years (3) of full-time experience or its part-time equivalent as defined in (a); **OR**
- d. An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined by the limits of (a), (b) or (c).

Experience as a qualified building inspector can be substituted for an equivalent amount of the above required experience.

NOTE: Candidates for appointment in this class will be required to complete any mandated training as established by the Department of State.