

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES
CLASS SPECIFICATION

APIARY INSPECTOR

POSITION CODE: 01215

Effective: 5-1-01

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:

Under general supervision, inspects honeybee apiaries, colonies, and used equipment for diseases, parasites, Africanized bees, or other nuisances; traces the source of infection or infestation throughout an assigned area; informs beekeepers of laws, regulations and methods for controlling or preventing the spread of diseases and parasites.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK:

1. Inspects honeybee apiaries, colonies, and used equipment; inspects colonies or used equipment to be moved or sold; investigates sources of infection or infestation; insures compliance with existing laws and regulations; assists in registering beekeepers.
2. Provides recommendations for treatment or participates in the abatement of nuisance colonies as prescribed by law.
3. Compiles information and prepares notices, reports, and work sheets. Maintains and files accurate and timely reports of activities.
4. Conducts special surveys and investigates complaints or possible violations as directed.
5. Occasionally attends meetings of beekeepers or other groups to disseminate information relevant to the apiary inspection program.
6. Performs other duties as required or assigned which are reasonably within the scope of the duties enumerated above.

Education and Experience

Requires high school diploma or equivalent.

Knowledges, Skills and Abilities

Requires a working knowledge of apiculture and handling honeybees.

Requires an elementary knowledge of bee diseases and parasites.

Requires an ability to communicate effectively with beekeepers, supervisors and others.

Requires organization and the ability to complete and maintain accurate reports.

Requires the ability to acquire and maintain a valid driver's license and occasionally drive long distances.

Requires the ability to lift at least 60 pounds and occasionally walk extended distances.