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Continuous Announcement

CONSUMER FOOD SAFETY PROTECTION SPECIALIST – 70106

MEAT INSPECTION OPTION - 209

Salary: \$33,064.80 - \$61,063.20

Starting salary upon initial appointment to the merit system may be based on various factors.

Announcement Date: September 5, 2012

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JOB INFORMATION

The Consumer Food Safety Protection Specialist, Meat Inspection Option is a permanent, full-time position with the Department of Agriculture and Industries. Positions are located throughout the state. Employees in this class perform inspections to determine sanitary conditions of slaughtering and processing establishments in enforcing state laws, standards, and regulations pertaining to livestock and poultry and their by-products for human consumption.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT(S)

- High school diploma or GED
- Two (2) years of experience in the meat or poultry industry performing duties such as production or quality control work in a poultry plant; slaughtering; meat cutting; meat processing, boning or curing; sausage making; or packaging in wholesale or retail meat plants INCLUDING one (1) year of experience administering and/or monitoring a Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) inspection system or similar perishable food product quality control system.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)

- Qualified applicants are required to acquire and maintain a valid Alabama Driver License. In addition, applicants must be certified by the United States Department of Agriculture in slaughter inspection and processed food inspection or must obtain certification during the probationary period in order to obtain permanent employment.

NOTE(S)

- A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited* college or university in Microbiology, Animal Science, Food Sanitation, Food Science, Food Technology, Meat Science or closely related field may substitute for the required work experience.

EXAMINATION

- Open-Competitive to all applicants
- An Evaluation of Training and Experience as shown on application will comprise 100% of the final score for the open-competitive register.
- All applicants MUST complete the supplemental questionnaire on the back of this form and send it in with the application.

HOW TO APPLY

- Complete an Application for Examination Form available at www.personnel.alabama.gov, the above address, or any Alabama Career Center Office.
- Apply by mail or by fax. Applications will be accepted until further notice. The State Personnel Department is not responsible for late receipt of applications due to mail service or faxing malfunctions.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

*Please refer to the back of this announcement for complete information on State Personnel's policy for accepting post-secondary and advanced degrees.

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MEAT INSPECTION OPTION (209)
WILLINGNESS QUESTIONNAIRE**

These questions refer to duties which a Meat Inspector may be asked to perform. You should carefully read each question and check "yes" or "no" to indicate your willingness to perform the duty. If you answer "no" to any question, you may want to reconsider applying for this position. Attach the completed questionnaire to your application and return to the State Personnel Department. Applications without the questionnaire attached **will not be accepted.**

ARE YOU WILLING TO:

1. Yes No Observe sick and diseased animals?
2. Yes No Watch animals being shot, shocked and slaughtered?
3. Yes No Watch an animal's head being severed?
4. Yes No Walk on floors covered with grease, blood, and other animal remains?
5. Yes No Take an animal's temperature using a rectal thermometer?
6. Yes No Cut and examine animal heads, stomachs, and lymph nodes?
7. Yes No Work with a knife and have blood on your hands?
8. Yes No Work in a room that smells of dead animals?
9. Yes No Work in rooms with temperatures as cold as 0° Fahrenheit?
10. Yes No Work in rooms with temperatures as hot as 115° Fahrenheit?
11. Yes No Work in smoke houses?
12. Yes No Climb to a height of 10 feet?

DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE:

13. Yes No Administering and/or monitoring a Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP) inspection system or similar perishable food product quality control system?

Signature: _____ **Social Security # (last 4 digits):** _____

**State of Alabama Personnel Department
Policy on Accepting College Coursework, Post-Secondary and Advanced Degrees**

1. Specific college coursework required for a job classification, as well as bachelor's, graduate, post graduate, and doctoral degrees will be accepted from schools accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) or any of the six regional accreditation associations in the United States listed below:

- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)
- Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE)
- Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)
- Higher Learning Commission (HLC)
- New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)
- Western Association of Schools and Colleges –Senior College and University Commission (WASC-SCUC)

College coursework is defined as credit hours leading to a bachelor's degree or higher.

2. Coursework or degrees from schools that have not been accredited by one of the above accreditation associations may be accepted if a **regionally accredited school*** considers the coursework or degree to be an acceptable prerequisite for admission to an advanced degree program. For example, if a regionally accredited school accepts an applicant's bachelor's degree for admittance into a graduate degree program, State Personnel will accept the degree. In the case of required college coursework (but no degree requirement), State Personnel will accept the college coursework if a regionally accredited school accepts the coursework towards a post-secondary degree (e.g., a bachelor's degree). **This must be documented by a letter of acceptance from the regionally accredited school.** State Personnel will review such requests on a case-by-case basis.

Note: This policy is subject to change. Certain state agencies may have additional requirements.

*The term "regionally accredited school" refers to an institution of higher education accredited by one of the six regional accreditation associations listed above.