

BUILDING INSPECTOR SPECIALIST

Job ID: 44157

Job Category: Audit, Compliance & Inspections **Division & Section:** Toronto Building, Inspections

Work Location: 95 The Esplanade

Job Type & Duration: Full-time, 5 Permanent vacancies

Hourly Rate: \$54.53 - \$59.02, TF0215

Shift Information: 35 hours per week, Monday to Friday

Affiliation: L79 Full-time **Number of Positions Open:** 5

Posting Period: 11-Oct-2024 to 31-Dec-2024

Location - additional vacancies may become available at various locations across the City of Toronto, including:

- Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Drive
- Etobicoke Civic Centre, 2 Civic Centre Court
- North York Civic Centre, 5100 Yonge Street

Job Summary:

Reporting to the Manager, Inspection Services, the Building Specialist will conduct site inspections of industrial, commercial, institutional, multi-unit residential buildings and Part 9 buildings as required to ensure compliance with the approved plans, Ontario Building Code and referenced standards and related legislation.

Major Responsibilities:

- Inspects large and complex industrial, commercial, institutional and multi-unit residential buildings to ensure compliance of construction and demolition with the approved plans, the Ontario Building Code, referenced standards, and applicable laws, within the timeframes specified in the legislation. Monitors progress of work
- Organizes workload, schedules inspections and documents inspection results, including the collection and attachment of photographs, documents and reports in the Divisions' computerized records management and tracking system
- Co-ordinates joint inspections with inspectors and fire prevention officers and assumes a lead role
- Conducts comprehensive inspections of fire sprinkler, standpipe and other life safety systems as regulated in the Ontario Building Code
- Inspects and verifies the installation and testing of fire alarm and suppression systems
- Investigates complaints regarding contraventions of statutes, regulations and By-Laws
- Inspects fire damaged or unsafe buildings to determine the extent of damage and the need for repairs or replacement
- Inspects structural collapses and collaborates with owners, consultants, insurers, the Ministry of Labour (MOL) and other agencies involved
- Inspects single family dwellings as required and investigates complaints

- Inspects for partial occupancy clearances and Liquor Licences clearances
- Inspects on-site materials and verifies that materials, method of construction and conditions satisfy the design specifications, meet approved standards and is in compliance with the Ontario Building Code
- Reviews permit plans for compliance with the Ontario Building Code and referenced standards
- Approves alternate design and equipment substitutions that vary from approved plans
- Provides instruction to contractors, architects, engineers and the public on the regulations and required construction practices
- Prepares detailed, accurate and timely reports and deficiency lists. Reviews consultants' field reports for accuracy and completeness
- Issues appropriate Orders to Comply and monitor outstanding Orders to ensure timely enforcement within statute of limitation period
- Initiates pre-court hearings, recommends legal action to be taken, prepare court briefs, attends and presents evidence in court when legal action is required to obtain compliance
- Appears and gives evidence at pre-trial proceedings such as mediation and discoveries; also appears before tribunals such as the Building Code Commission, and the Ontario Municipal Board on matters related to the Building Code Act, the Building Code and applicable laws
- Represents the City of Toronto's interest in civil litigation
- Advises the Ministry of Labour of unsafe working conditions or sites and participates in investigations
- Responds to enquiries from the public concerning requirements of the Ontario Building Code and applicable law affecting new construction
- Attends meetings with other City divisions, members of Council, provincial bodies, external agencies/organizations and the public regarding building related development or complaints
- Makes recommendations to improve divisional policies, procedures and practices
- Represents the Division at various committees, hearings and meetings
- Attends to complaints (e.g. civil disputes, encroachments, noise, etc.)
- Trains and mentors staff

Key Qualifications:

Your application must describe your qualifications as they relate to:

- Post-secondary degree or diploma in a discipline such as architectural technology, building science or civil engineering technology, or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- 2. Considerable experience with conducting inspections of buildings such as; large and/or complex buildings, residential, commercial use and/or institutional use buildings.
- 3. Considerable experience in reading and interpreting building permit drawings, specifications and building code requirements for large and/or complex buildings, residential, commercial use, and/or institutional use buildings.

4. Must possess and be able to maintain a valid Ontario Class "G2" or "G" Driver's Licence and access to a properly insured vehicle.

You must also have:

- Must possess or be able to obtain the following Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing,
 Ontario Building Code qualification requirements for an inspector: Powers and Duties of
 a Chief Building Official (Legal) or General Legal, Building Services, Building Structural,
 Complex Buildings and Large Buildings.
- Considerable knowledge of the work performed by the various professionals and subtrades on a construction project.
- Knowledge of the Ontario Building Code, Ontario Building Code Act, including life safety systems, and other applicable legislation/construction standards.
- Knowledge of and ability to apply the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and regulations relevant to building construction.
- Knowledge of the responsibilities and the jurisdiction of other Departments, Provincial and Toronto Agencies.
- Knowledge of the construction of all types of buildings.
- Ability to read and interpret plans, specifications, codes and By-Laws.
- Good written communication skills with the ability to prepare concise detailed and accurate reports, correspondence and operate a computer.
- Good oral communication skills and the ability to submit oral evidence in court.
- Ability to deal effectively and courteously with customers, general public and all levels of staff by telephone, in person and in writing.
- Skilled in the use of computer technologies.
- Good interpersonal, problem solving and conflict management skills.
- Ability to plan, organize and manage work with minimal supervision and complete assigned duties accurately and within timelines.
- Ability to handle confidential and sensitive information with discretion and tact.
- Physically capable of performing required duties and ability to work in all weather conditions.
- Ability to support the Toronto Public Service values to ensure a culture that champions equity, diversity and respectful workplaces.

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