

City of Tempe

TAX & LICENSE SPECIALIST I+

JOB CLASSIFICATION INFORMATION				
Job Code:	156	Department:	Financial Services	
Supervision Level:	Non-Supervisor	State Retirement Group:	ASRS	
Status:	Classified	Market Group:	Tax Auditor II+	
Safety Sensitive / Drug	Na	Physical	No	
Screen:	No	Physical:	No	
Click here for more job classification information including current salary range				

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

The Tax and License Specialist I+ is the entry-level class in this series. This class is distinguished from the Tax and License Specialist II+ by the performance of more routine tasks and duties assigned to positions within the series.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS

Receives general supervision from supervisory or management staff.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS			
Experience:	Experience: One (1) year of experience in licensing compliance, tax compliance, and/or		
revenue collection experience, including public contact.			
Education:	Equivalent to an associate degree from an accredited college or university.		
License / Certification:	Possession of a valid driver's license.		

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Essential job functions are the fundamental duties of a position: the things a person holding the job absolutely must be able to do.

To actively support and uphold the City's stated mission and values. To perform a variety of office and field activities working with the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) and other state jurisdictions and agencies to ensure tax and license compliance and to ensure compliance with all city codes.

OTHER DUTIES AS ASSIGNED

Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of all activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

- Communicate by phone, email, US Mail, or in-person with the general public, other City employees, management, taxpayers and licensees to respond to questions, obtain and provide information, and explain and interpret rules, regulations, statute, city code, and policies.
- Review business listing as is available and other source documents for compliance with City ordinances; research payment histories of active and inactive accounts and establish accuracy of account balances.
- Refer under-reported and unreported Transaction Privilege Tax businesses to appropriate staff.
- Report payments taken outside of online licensing application such as checks, credit cards or cash.
- Refer all lien requests, bankruptcy, or debt-setoff items to appropriate staff.
- Refer complex accounts regarding Transaction Privilege Tax appropriate staff.
- Process liquor license applications and payments.
- Process regulatory license applications and payments.
- Assist with Short-Term Rental applications and payments as needed.
- Attend special events meetings to coordinate the licensing of vendors.
- Process new Short-Term Rental License applications.
- Perform searches and analyses of data to ensure that rental property information is properly updated.
- Follow up on referrals from all sources (citizens, neighborhood associations, City Hall, Code Enforcement, Housing, other jurisdictions).
- Log and track all complaints received regarding licensed and unlicensed short-term rental properties.
- Monitor records of tax payments based on city and ADOR data.
- Research and review a variety of source documents and data provided by ADOR to identify and license unlicensed business operators within the city and unreported privilege tax liabilities.
- Contact taxpayers for collection of taxes and license fees in collaboration with ADOR as permitted by law; follow up on unreported tax liabilities; follow up on payment plans as established by ADOR.
- Provide collections activity on assessed accounts as approved by ADOR Collections.
- Perform related duties as assigned.

COMPETENCIES				
CLASSIFICATION LEVEL	INCLUDES	COMPETENCIES		
Foundational	All Employees	Inclusion, Communication, Interpersonal Skills, Integrity, Professionalism, and Willingness to Learn		
Non-Supervisory	In Addition >	Teamwork, Customer Service, Initiative, and Dependability / Reliability		
Supervisory	In Addition >	Staffing, Monitoring Work, Delegating, Development / Mentoring, and Support Others		
Manager	In Addition >	Preparing / Evaluating Budgets, Monitoring / Controlling Resources, and Motivating / Inspiring		

Deputy Director	In Addition >	Entrepreneurship and Networking	
Director	In Addition >	Organizational Vision	
For more information about the City of Tempe's competencies for all classifications:			
City of Tempe, AZ : Competencies			

JOB DESCRIPTION HISTORY

Effective May 2003 (Combine Revenue Collector & License Inspector classifications)
Revised February 2011 (Driver's license requirement)
Revised May 2018 (job titled changed from Revenue Compl. Officer I, update min quals and job duties)
Revised February 2024 (update min quals – education and job duties)

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

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	Never	Occas.	Freq.	Contin.
ENDURANCE / ENVIRONMENT /	0% of	1-35% of	36-65% of	66-100%
MOVEMENT	time	time	time	of time
Sit				Х
Stationary / Stand		Х		
Move / Traverse	Х			
Machinery*	Х			
Electrical*	Х			
Power Tools*	Х			
Hand Tools*	Х			
Personal Protective Equipment*	Х			
Respirator*	Х			
Airborne Chemical Exposure	Х			
Airborne Biological Exposure	Х			
Computer Software				Х
Physically handling of chemicals	Х			
Indoors				Х
Outdoors	Х			
Around, in or on water	Х			
Extreme Heat	Х			
Extreme Cold	Х			
Office Setting				Х
Confined Spaces	Х			
Excessive Noise**	Х			
Heights	Х			
Sewage Exposure	Х			
Bodily Fluid or bloodborne	V			
pathogen exposure	Х			
Bend / Stoop / Twist	Х			
Crouch / Squat	Х			
Kneel / Crawl	Х			
Above Shoulder Level	Х			
Below Shoulder Level	Х			
Repetitive Arm Use				Х
Repetitive Wrist Use				Х
Repetitive Hand Use				Х
Climb Stairs / Ladders	Х			
Neck Range of Motion	Х			
Traverse Uneven Surface	Х			
Traverse Even Surface	Х			

VEHICLE OPERATION		NO
Will this position drive a City vehicle?	Х	
Will this vehicle require a Commercial Drivers License?		Χ

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VISION REQUIREMENTS	YES	NO
Close (clear vision at 20 inches or less)		
Distance (clear vision at 20 feet or more)		Χ
Color (ability to identify and distinguish colors)		Χ
Depth Perception (three-dimensional vision, ability to judge distances and		Χ
Peripheral (ability to observe an area that can be seen up and down or to the		Χ
Ability to adjust focus (ability to adjust the eye to bring an object into sharp		v
focus)		^

	Maximum LIFT / CARRY	Lift	Carry
	5-25lbs	Χ	Х
	26-50lbs		
1	51-75lbs		
	76-100lbs		

Maximum PUSH / PULL	Push	Pull
5-25lbs	N/A	N/A
26-50lbs		
51-75lbs		
76-100lbs		

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- May require working extended hours.
- May work alone for extended periods of time.
- Ability to handle multiple tasks with changing priorities and new information.

*DEFINITIONS/EXAMPLES

Machinery: bucket truck, riding mowers, backhoe etc.

Electrical: wiring, outlets, fuses etc.

Power Tools: push mowers, jackhammers, drills, chainsaw etc.

Hand Tools: hammers, wrenches, shovels, wheel barrels, saws etc.

Personal Protective Equipment: Tyvek coveralls, hard hats, fall protection harness etc.

Excessive Noise exists when you raise your voice to communicate with someone who is 3 ft away.

Respirators: 1/2 face or full-face cartridge.

Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B vaccinations are offered to employees in the OSHA bloodborne pathogens

^{**}Hearing test is required