**Class Summary**

The responsibilities of this classification include serving as a trainee and/or apprentice assisting those performing skilled surface preparation, painting, and maintenance of a variety of transit buildings, rail stations, equipment, and related facilities.

**Distinguishing Characteristics**

This is the first of a three-level classification series. Incumbents in this classification receive close supervision and on-the-job, classroom, and computer based training to develop the essential skills required to become a journey-level Maintenance Painter. The employees in this class are enrolled in a formal training program designed to prepare them to be a journey-level Maintenance Painter. Incumbents gain experience and are increasingly assigned work with higher levels of responsibility and independence.

**Examples of Duties**

*All duties below are performed in conjunction with or under the general supervision of a Transit Maintenance Painter or Transit Maintenance Painter – Lead.*

1. Prepare a variety of surface types including drywall, plaster, metal, asphalt, brick, and similar surfaces prior to painting; perform hand sanding, scraping, sandblasting, grinding, and high-pressure washing; apply chemical strippers and paint removers; erect scaffolding.
2. Perform drywall finishing and plaster work; patch nail holes, cracks and joints with putty, plaster or similar fillers to prepare surfaces; use appropriate type of paint, sealant, or coating for the type of material, application, and usage.
3. Apply protective coatings and sealants to the interior and exterior of buildings, structures, roadways, equipment, and office furnishings; apply paints, varnishes, enamels, lacquers, and similar coatings according to manufacturer’s specifications and instructions; brush, spray, or roll-on coatings.
4. Read, interpret, and perform work according to plans and schematics with design, color, and related specifications.
5. Operate various types of lift equipment and motor vehicles; operate, clean, and maintain a variety of tools and equipment used in painting operations.
6. Safely store sealants, coatings, and other combustible materials; dispose of materials in compliance with all environmental, health, and safety regulations.
7. Remove graffiti from bus shelters, rail stations, and other transit and/or rail properties and facilities; perform spot preparation and painting.
8. Maintain operating logs and maintenance manual(s); enter and extract data using automated systems.
9. Perform other duties as assigned.

**Knowledge/Skills**

Knowledge of and skill in the principles, practices, techniques, tools, and equipment of the painting trade

Knowledge of safe working practices, occupational hazards, and safety requirements

Skill in establishing and maintaining effective working relationships in a diverse environment

Skill in verbal and written communication

Skill in basic mathematics

Skill in effectively handling multiple competing priorities and problem solving

Ability to work at heights from ladders and scaffolding

Ability to effectively engage in and sustain relationships with people from diverse cultures and socio-economic backgrounds

Ability to work independently and as a team member

Ability to attend required apprenticeship classes on weekdays, nights, weekends, and holidays

Ability to work different shifts on weekdays, nights, weekends, and holidays

Demonstrated ability with business applications, such as Microsoft Office suite and automated maintenance management information systems

**Education and Experience Requirements**

Any combination of education and experience that clearly demonstrates the ability to perform the job duties of the position

**Licensing, Certification and Other Requirements**

Valid Washington State Driver License

Additional licenses, certifications and other requirements determined to be necessary to meet the business needs of the employing unit may be required

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| **FLSA Designation** | Nonexempt |
| **Service Status** | Career Service |
| **EEO Code** | 7 |
| **Levels within same series** | Transit Maintenance Painter  Transit Maintenace Painter - Lead |
| **Class History** | 2/2022 Created |