

Position Description Questionnaire (New Positions)
Dallas County

General Instructions: Please complete this electronic form to the best of your ability and email when completed to Dallas County Human Resources/Civil Service.

(For position reclassifications use the “Position Reclassification Summary Form”)

A. Identification / General Information

Proposed Position Title:	
Proposed Position Grade:	
Department Name:	
Position Number:	N/A
Supervisor Name & Position Title ("Reports To"):	
Supervisor Phone:	
Supervisor Email:	
Court Order # and Date:	

B. Brief Description of the New Position

Use two or three brief and specific statements to summarize the general purpose of this position.

The purpose of this position is to
This is accomplished by
Other duties include

C. Essential Functions of the New Position

Description of Essential Function: Describe in detail the primary or most important functions of this position. In addition to each function, list the tasks performed to accomplish each function. Use clear, concise sentences.

Percentage of Time: Estimate the percentage of total working time *per year* that is taken up with each duty. These estimates should be made after all essential functions have been listed. The percentages in this column must equal 100%. Duties that require less than 5% of your time should not be listed.

Essential/Non-Essential (E or NE): Write ONE letter that best describes the demands of the function during a typical 8-hour workday.

EXAMPLE ↓

Function: Maintains exterior of facilities	Time	E or NE
Tasks performed to accomplish this function:	30%	E
By picking up and removing litter and debris from grounds, sweeping and edging		
Sidewalks, mowing lawns, trimming shrubs and raking leaves.		

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1. Function:	Time	E or NE
Tasks performed to accomplish this function:		
2. Function:	Time	E or NE
Tasks performed to accomplish this function:		
3. Function:	Time	E or NE
Tasks performed to accomplish this function:		
4. Function:	Time	E or NE
Tasks performed to accomplish this function:		
5. Function:	Time	E or NE
Tasks performed to accomplish this function:		

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D. Visual-Mental Demands

1. Visual-Mental Demands: Select that which best describes the overall visual-mental demands of this position, then select the frequency of time in which you perform under this condition job. (For example: 0 to 1/3 means your job works under these conditions between never and up to 1/3 of the time.)

			Frequency of Time		
			0-1/3	1/3-2/3	2/3-Over
<input type="radio"/>	1.	Work requires a minimum of mental and visual concentration to detail most of the time.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Work requires a moderate amount of mental and visual concentration in the performance of various operations.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Work requires regular mental and visual concentration most of the time.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

E. Physical Demands, Equipment Requirements, Working Conditions

1. Strength Demands: Select that which best describes the overall physical demands of this position, then select the frequency of time in which you perform under this condition. (For example: 0-1/3 means your job has these demands between never and up to 1/3 of the time.)

Strength Demands			Frequency of Time		
			0-1/3	1/3-2/3	2/3-Over
<input type="radio"/>	1.	Work requires normal sitting and standing and generally the occasional lifting of 25 pounds or less.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Work requires moderate exertion and the occasional lifting of 26-50 pounds.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Work requires heavy exertion and the regular lifting of 51-75 pounds.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Work requires regular strenuous effort and regular lifting of over 76 pounds.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. Machines, Tools, Equipment and Work Aids: List machines, tools and equipment required for this position. (Do not include computer equipment and software – use the next section for this.)

3. Computer Equipment and Software: List specialized computer equipment and software required for this position. (personal computers and standard software such as Word and Excel are assumed. Indicate if no computers or software are used to perform this function)

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4. **Environmental, Health and Safety Conditions:** Select any and all noted conditions, and then select the frequency of time in which you are required to work under these conditions.

Environmental Condition			Frequency of Time			
			0-1/3	1/3-2/3	2/3-Over	Seasonally
<input type="radio"/>	1.	Extreme temperature changes (heat, cold, extreme weather changes)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Respiratory hazards (fumes, gases, chemicals, dust and dirt)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Noise and vibration (sufficient to cause hearing loss)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Physical hazards (high voltage, dangerous machinery)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Health and Safety Conditions			0-1/3	1/3-2/3	2/3-Over	Seasonally
<input type="radio"/>	1.	Driving	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Mechanical hazards	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Chemical hazards	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Electrical hazards	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	5.	Fire hazards	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	6.	Communicable diseases	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	7.	Physical danger or abuse (specify):	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	8.	Other (specify):	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. **Primary Work Location:** Check the type of location where most of the position's duties are performed.

<input type="radio"/>	1.	Office Environment	<input type="radio"/>	4.	Clinic	<input type="radio"/>	6.	Residential Facility (not secure)
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Shop or Warehouse	<input type="radio"/>	5.	Secured Facility	<input type="radio"/>	7.	Vehicle
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Other (Specify)						

6. **Protective Equipment Required:** List any protective equipment required for this position.

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F. Position Minimum Requirements

1. **Formal Education:** Record the minimum education required for this position (do not necessarily use the incumbent's education level, but the MINIMUM required for this position).

<input type="radio"/>	1.	Less than high school education
<input type="radio"/>	2.	High school diploma or equivalent
<input type="radio"/>	3.	One year college
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Two-year Associate's degree in:
<input type="radio"/>	5.	Four-year Bachelor's degree in:
<input type="radio"/>	6.	Graduate or professional work or advanced degree in:

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2. Experience: Record the minimum experience required for this position (not necessarily the incumbent's experience).

<input type="radio"/>	1.	No previous experience required
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Six months to one year experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Minimum of one year experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Minimum of two years experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	5.	Minimum of three years experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	6.	Minimum of four years experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	7.	Minimum of five years experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	8.	Minimum of six years experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	9.	Minimum of seven years experience in/as:
<input type="radio"/>	10.	Minimum of eight years experience in/as:

3. Certification and Other Requirements: List licenses, certifications, statutory requirements, or registrations required for the position (not necessarily the incumbent's current licenses or certifications). Use the exact name of the license, certification or requirement.

1.
2.
3.
4.
5. Valid Drivers License Required? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If Yes, what type?

G. Planning and Management Responsibilities

1. Problem Solving and Analytical Skills: What is the minimum level of problem solving ability and/or analytical skill required for this position? Select one factor that most closely matches this position.

<input type="radio"/>	1.	Work tasks are usually identical, with simple rules and detailed instructions.
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Work tasks are routine, but not identical.
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Work tasks are usually different, with somewhat diversified procedures and precedents.
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Work tasks are varied and diversified, requiring analytical, interpretive, evaluative and/or constructive thinking.
<input type="radio"/>	5.	Work tasks are of a non-recurring nature, where procedures are not clearly defined. Tasks require in-depth analytical, evaluative, developmental and constructive thinking.
<input type="radio"/>	6.	Work tasks are of the broadest sense, requiring strategic planning, analytical, and evaluative, developmental and constructive thinking.

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2. Planning: Does this position involve planning work activities or projects? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, describe the planning or project management activities associated with this position.

3. Budgetary Responsibility: Does this position involve working with the annual budget? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please indicate the types of budgetary activities required.

<input type="radio"/>	1.	Researches and prepares information for use in budget documents for a department. May recommend budget allocations.
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Researches and compiles data for budget monitoring, enters or oversees data entry. May monitor budget expenditures (typically non-discretionary expenditures) for a work unit of less than department size or for a small department.
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Oversees budget preparation of department budget. Reviews and approves expenditures of significant budgeted funds for the department or researches and prepares recommendations for countywide budget expenditures.
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Approves the final departmental budget and presents the budget document or information. Monitors the progress of fiscal objectives and adjusts plans as necessary for completion.

4. Scope of Budgetary Responsibility: Provide the total amount, in dollars, of the operating budget and any contracts or grants. This amount should include project management or organizational budget responsibility.

<u>Total county amount \$</u>	<u>Total grant amount \$</u>
<u>Additional comments:</u>	

5. Management and Supervisory Responsibility: Does this position involve directing the work of others?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the classification titles (not working titles) and number of employees supervised.

<u>Classification Title(s)</u>	<u>Number of Employees</u>

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6. Management and Supervisory Responsibility: If you answered “Yes” to the management and supervisory question previously, indicate the management and supervisory direction provided by the position (check one).

<input type="radio"/>	1.	Responsibility requires the occasional direction of helpers, assistants, seasonal employees, interns, volunteers or temporary employees.
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Responsibility requires functioning as a lead worker performing essentially the same work as those directed, and includes overseeing work quality, training, instructing, and scheduling work.
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Responsibility requires supervising and monitoring the performance for a regular group of employees or a work unit including providing input on hiring and performance actions, work objectives, program effectiveness and realignment of work as needed.
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Responsibility requires managing and monitoring work performance by directing subordinate supervisors or administrators including authorizing final decisions on hiring and disciplinary actions, evaluating program and work objectives and effectiveness, and realigning work and staffing assignments as necessary.
<input type="radio"/>	5.	Responsibility requires managing and monitoring work performance of senior department managers including evaluating program and work objectives and effectiveness, establishing broad organizational goals and realigning work and staffing for the department.

7. Freedom to Act: This factor will assist in determining the position’s level of freedom to act. Limitations of freedom to act or position independence may include supervisory control, the nature of the work, established policies and procedures, and/or legal constraints. Indicate the extent to which you are free to act in the absence of supervision or management or the direction provided by policies and procedures. (choose one)

<input type="radio"/>	1.	Follows direct, simple and detailed instructions, with procedures clearly defined, immediate supervision always available, and work regularly reviewed.
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Follows routine procedures and guidelines in the application of prescribed duties. Works under close supervision with frequent review of work.
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Follows standard procedures and established guidelines with some latitude in deciding how to achieve end result. Non-standard work is referred to the supervisor for guidance and work is reviewed periodically by supervisor on an “as needed” basis.
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Follows diversified procedures and implements processes to accomplish end results, within guidelines. Immediate supervision is available upon request.
<input type="radio"/>	5.	Plans details of methods to attain desired objectives working within established policy. Requires use of initiative and resourcefulness in developing processes and procedures. Supervision is available for special problems and work is reviewed on problem situations.
<input type="radio"/>	6.	Works independently on broad assignments with specific given objectives. Responsible for planning and performance with little or no guidance or assistance from supervisor during developmental process. Work is reviewed upon completion of objectives.
<input type="radio"/>	7.	Works independently on major assignments with responsibility for all planning of work of assigned objectives. Makes major decisions limited only by broad policy rulings and proceeds along lines of own initiative. Supervision is available for a wide range of problems involving general policy and work is reviewed at the end of major projects.
<input type="radio"/>	8.	Work is related to the broader administrative, executive and policy-making activities and major programs/plans. Work is checked through consultation and agreement with others rather directives by superiors. Supervision is available for unique, broad and diverse problems with overall effect on departmental goals and objectives.
<input type="radio"/>	9.	Work is generally unguided.

H. Human Relations

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Interpersonal/Human Relations Skills: This factor measures the amount and level of personal interaction with those outside direct reporting relationships (internal and external customers). The interaction may include those in the general public, volunteers, other county divisions and representatives of boards and commissions, governmental organizations, and officials, vendors and suppliers. Select one factor that most closely matches this position, and specify the frequency of time used in performing this job.

			Frequency of Time		
			0-1/3	1/3-2/3	2/3-Over
<input type="radio"/>	1.	Work requires answering simple inquiries or referring inquiries to others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	2.	Work requires handling inquiries and reasonable complaints involving an explanation of standard policies, procedures and non-controversial matters.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	3.	Work requires handling critical inquiries and complaints not of a standard nature; requires tact and diplomacy in presentation to obtain cooperation or approval.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	4.	Work requires contacts wherein poor handling may result in poor coordination of all efforts; deals with controversial or exception policies or procedures that could result in litigation or damages if improperly handled.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

I. Career Path Definition

Please indicate other county positions that may be related to this position, as part of a career family.

Other classifications in the county to which those that hold my current classification might be promoted.	1.
	2.
My Current Classification	
Other classifications in the county that would prepare applicants for my current classification.	1.
	2.

J. Signature/Approval

To the best of my ability, I have completed this questionnaire, and believe it to be an accurate description of my position or the proposed position.

Employee Signature	Date
Immediate Supervisor Signature	Date
Comments:	
Department Head/Elected Official Signature	Date
Comments:	