

Upper Occoquan Service Authority

Human Resources Department

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LABORATORY TECHNICIAN

Regulatory Affairs Division
Laboratory Division
(Internal ID #4250)
Laboratory Technician | Grade 6 | \$54,500- \$87,000
Close: Open Until Filled

Starting salary will be between minimum and midpoint in the range.

ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION:

The Upper Occoquan Service Authority (UOSA) is a regional water reclamation plant serving four jurisdictions (Fairfax County, Prince William County, City of Manassas, and City of Manassas Park).

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The **Laboratory Technician** performs routine laboratory analysis of samples collected from the wastewater treatment facility. The technician is responsible for accurate, neat, and organized work that must be completed on a timely basis daily. The position requires a high degree of concentration and organization of details. They are required to learn to perform tasks of progressively increasing difficulty and to eventually become proficient in the performance of the tests of the various workstations. After initial training, minimal daily supervision by Supervisor, Chemists is required.

EXAMPLE OF WORK (Illustrative Only)

- Calibrates instruments such as balances and pH meters. Observes preventive/corrective maintenance practices, Quality Control/Quality Assurance program standards and safety precautions.
- Accurately documents all calibrations, preventive and corrective maintenance.
- Prepares samples and conducts tests according to standard operating procedures (SOP).
- Assumes responsibility for calculations, quality control recoveries and reruns.
- Follows standard UOSA laboratory procedures and safety practices.
- Troubleshoots routine problems and takes proper steps to correct problems.
- Performs other related tasks for the stations to which they are assigned.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of an associate degree in chemistry, biology, or related field; or preferably
 possess a BS degree in one of the above fields from a recognizable four-year college or
 university. Any equivalent combination of education, experience, and training that
 provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities may be acceptable.
- Must have knowledge of laboratory operating techniques and laboratory safety practices.
- Sufficient skill to perform analysis associated with main workstations including solids, COD, nutrients, BOD, alkalinity, conductivity, pH, turbidity, bacteriology, and reagent preparation.
- Possession of a vehicle operator's license valid in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- Must be able to perform the physical requirements of position, to include extensive walking, bending, stooping, climbing of stairs and ladders, lifting and/or carrying of up to 30 pounds.



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The vacancy notice does not imply that these are the only duties, including essential duties, to be performed in the position. Please request a full job description from the HR Department via email at good.jobs@uosa.org.

All employment offers are contingent upon the successful completion of a pre-employment drug and alcohol screening, physical exam, and background check paid for by UOSA.

In order to be fully considered for the position, all applicants must submit a complete online application along with an updated resume via the UOSA website: Uosa.org/Careers > Candidate Profile.

Once logged into your profile, click on **Find Jobs** in the upper left-hand corner of the screen, followed by **Search for Jobs**. Review the vacancy and apply for the position.