

Classification and Qualification



STANDARDS

The California State University System

Feed Mill Operator

Class Code 0687

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Occupation Index Reference A-1

DEFINITION:

Under general supervision, is responsible for the operation and maintenance of a campus feed mill; preparation and processing of feed and pelleted rations for livestock; operation of a feed lot for production of livestock; and advising and assisting students in the general care and feeding of livestock.

Examples of Typical Activities:

Feed Mill Operator operates, or supervises students in the operation of, a campus feed mill in the processing of feed formulas, pelleting rations and ground feed; maintains and repairs all feed mill machinery; replaces belts, drags, flats, teeth screens, grinder hammers, bearings, links on drag chains; adjusts linkages and pulleys; lubricates and cleans electric motors and other moving parts.

Incumbents of positions in this class operate or supervise the operation of tractors, loaders, scrapers and other vehicular equipment used in connection with the operation of a feed lot for the production of livestock; instruct students and other employees in the preparation of specially proportioned and rationed feed.

The Feed Mill Operator assists students with the development of rations for feed trial experimentation and the feeding of enterprise project herds; and provides assistance to faculty members in the conducting of laboratory classes in livestock care and feed mill management by setting up equipment and materials used in the laboratory.

The Feed Mill Operator costs out specially prepared rations on a price-per-unit volume basis and charges departmental and student enterprise project accounts for feed consumed. Incumbents of positions in this class requisition materials and supplies as required by the unit and negotiate for the purchase of all feed and feed supplements; and are called upon to maintain feed and livestock inventories, equipment repair, operating expenses and similar farm management records.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledges and Abilities:

Comprehensive knowledge of the mechanical working of feed mill storage and processing machinery; thorough understanding of feeds, feed preparation and livestock feeding; general knowledge of modern livestock care practices and livestock health care needs.

Ability to operate, maintain and repair the mechanical workings of a feed mill; ability to instruct students in the operation of the feed mill and assist them with the development and preparation of specified rations; ability to establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with students, faculty and the public; ability to read and write at a level appropriate to of the position and the ability to perform arithmetic computations where required.

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Experience:

Two years experience in the operation and maintenance of a feed mill. 60 semester or 90 quarter units of academic work at a four-year college or university with courses in animal husbandry (specifically animal nutrition) and related animal science subjects may be substituted for one year of the required experience.

Work Week Group: 1
Premium O/T: Yes
Shift Differential: No
Employee Category: Non-Academic