# WASTE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST

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The Waste Management Specialist plans, implements, and coordinates comprehensive waste management systems to maximize waste prevention, reuse, and recycling opportunities.

# Category A. Analyzing/Auditing Waste Streams

- A-1 Acquire knowledge of industry-specific waste streams
- A-2 Identify wastes
- A-3 Quantify wastes
- A-4 Evaluate waste management options
- A-5 Recommend waste management techniques and strategies

# • Category B. Managing Waste Streams

- B-1 Establish goals and objectives
- B-2 Plan programs
- B-3 Implement programs
- B-4 Maintain records
- B-5 Evaluate programs

# Category C. Managing Collection/Processing Systems

- C-1 Develop a collection/processing strategy
- C-2 Research waste management equipment options
- C-3 Determine specifications for collection/processing equipment
- C-4 Implement a collection/processing system
- C-5 Ensure a safe work environment
- C-6 Operate/maintain equipment

### Category D. Determining/Developing Markets

- D-1 Acquire knowledge of markets and recovered materials
- D-2 Investigate marketplace standards for recovered materials
- D-3 Seek markets for recovered materials
- D-4 Match recovered materials with end users
- D-5 Maintain vendor liaison
- D-6 Maintain supply/demand statistics

## Category E. Ensuring Regulatory Compliance

- E-1 Identify applicable regulations
- E-2 Interpret regulations
- E-3 Propose internal policy
- E-4 Comply with regulations (e.g., local, state, federal)
- E-5 Educate employees/public
- E-6 Maintain records
- E-7 File reports
- E-8 Conduct/participate in audits and inspections
- E-9 Implement corrective actions
- E-10 Keep current on regulatory environment

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### • Category F. Administering Contracts, Grants, And Budgets

- F-1 Determine scope of work
- F-2 Prepare documentation for contracts, grants, and budgets
- F-3 Assess liability
- F-4 Negotiate terms
- F-5 Monitor for compliance
- F-6 Provide reports
- F-7 Regularly review contracts, grants, and budgets

### Category G. Developing Public Relations And Education Programs

- G-1 Assess audience
- G-2 Establish media relations
- G-3 Develop and conduct surveys and studies
- G-4 Develop educational materials for internal/external use
- G-5 Inform/educate customer on waste management issues
- G-6 Present information (e.g., displays, tours, speeches, trade shows, schools)
- G-7 Facilitate public forums

## Category H. Establishing Partnerships

- H-1 Develop and maintain external/internal networks
- H-2 Facilitate information exchange
- H-3 Coordinate programs among public/private partners
- H-4 Provide technical and financial assistance
- H-5 Participate in local, state, and national organizations
- H-6 Encourage and participate in mentoring

## • Category I. Supervising Employees/Volunteers

- I-1 Implement management's philosophy
- I-2 Define goals (e.g., safety, production, costs)
- I-3 Assign duties
- I-4 Conduct training
- I-5 Provide support/guidance
- I-6 Resolve conflicts/problems
- I-7 Maintain records
- I-8 Evaluate performance

## Category J. Participating In Professional Development Activities

- J-1 Participate in local, state, and national organizations
- J-2 Read professional journals
- J-3 Attend seminars and continuing education courses
- J-4 Develop leadership skills
- J-5 Share information in public forums
- J-6 Publish and present papers at conferences

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