

Position	Facility Operator
Facility	Mississippi Aquarium
Location	Gulfport, MS
Job Summary	The position reports to the Manager of Facility Operations. The Facility Operator is responsible for performing equipment maintenance tasks, cleaning, and general labor pertaining to animal life support systems and building mechanical systems. The ability to make accurate assessments of filter status and the cleaning schedule of filters is essential. Basic operational knowledge of building maintenance and mechanical systems is necessary for this position.
Essential Functions	Performing daily inspections on all critical systems [heating, cooling, controls, HVAC, pumping and animal life support systems (LSS)], reporting and working to correct any anomalies. Assist other operators with daily routine tasks as well as perform preventative maintenance on various equipment. Receive, distribute, and store various products such as chlorine, acids and salts. Perform general maintenance tasks for beautification of property including basic landscaping, painting, walk way cleaning, carpentry and rubbish removal. Complete general repairs of faulty equipment and/or damages to premises Availability to work weekends, holidays, on-call rotation, weather events and respond to emergencies on a 24-hour basis if needed. Participate in staff meetings and provide relevant input. Unloading and warehousing of operational consumables and supplies.Undertake special projects as assigned by the Manager of Facility Operations.
Other Duties and Responsibilities	
Knowledge, Skills and Abilities	
Education & Experienced Required	High school diploma Minimum of 1 or more years of experience operating LSS and/or building mechanical systems Aquatic Animal Life Support Operator (AALSO) Level 1 preferred, or the ability to receive certification within 1 year of employments. Training provided as necessary. Prior experience operating commercial filtration equipment, mechanical equipment, HVAC, Building control systems beneficial Experience with power tools, hand tools, welding, and fabrication using a variety of materials Able to work in spaces with limited clearance, at heights, and/or close contact with other team members Able to work safely in close proximity to animals Fall protection and Confined Space entry certification or the ability to receive certification within 1 year of employment. Training provided as necessary Ability to use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) included but not limited to a properly fitted respirator, eye and ear protection, gloves, hard hat, harness, steel-towed footwear
Licenses and Certifications Required	
Physical Requirements	
Working Conditions	The physical demands and work environment described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with

disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand; walk; sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb stairs; balance; stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl; talk or hear; taste or smell – any or all of which may be for extended periods. The employee must often lift and/or move up to 60 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by the job include close vision, distance vision, color and peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is exposed to weather conditions prevalent at the time. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate to high.

Salary

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