Job Title: Forensics Specialist

Department: Police

Immediate Supervisor: Detective Sergeant

Origination Date:	**07/26/2006**
Revision Date:	**07/01/2008**
Job Grade	**806**
FLSA Status	**Non-exempt**

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE JOB:

Collects, photographs, processes, packages and transports evidence from crime scenes under supervision of the investigations unit. Documents work done and transports evidence to the crime lab. Reproduces and analyzes media evidence from cassette tapes, VHS tapes, DVDs and digital disks for prosecution purposes and transports copies of evidence and reports to the county and city attorney's office.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

This information is intended to be descriptive of the key responsibilities of the position. The following examples do not identify all duties performed by any single incumbent.

	Physical Strength Code	ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS
1	M	Examines and investigates crime scenes by physical evidence collection, packaging, processing and submission of evidence (such as blood, body fluids, hair, fibers, firearms, etc.) for lab analysis. Maintains appropriate documentation of activities. May be required to testify in court.
2	M	Photographs crime scenes, accident scenes, aerial scenes, and public relations opportunities; photographs people, property and other items related to the investigation of criminal activity. Delivers and picks up film for processing, and tracks film that is being processed. Purchases supplies for photography and ensures equipment is in proper repair. Completes appropriate supplement and be able to testify in court.
3	L	Logs property and evidence. Ensures evidence is packaged correctly, transports evidence to and from crime lab and or police department property room. Reproduces evidentiary media for criminal justice purposes. Keeps an inventory of operational supplies.
4	S	Conducts video analysis; uses software to de-multiplex videos, enhance images, and provide stills from media provided to video analysts. Uses a variety of software applications to obtain the best results. Copies pictorial items from one medium to another; prints photographs from disks or case/booking photos from the computer, or requests processing from alternate sources for best quality. Creates bulletins, creates photo line-ups.
5	L	Provides additional assistance to the investigations division as needed to include, but not limited to purchasing and issuing crime scene and investigative supplies as requested.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

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Formal Education/ Knowledge	Work requires knowledge of a specific vocational, administrative, or technical nature which may be obtained with a two year associate's degree, diploma or equivalent from a college, technical, business, vocational, or correspondence school. Appropriate certification may be awarded upon satisfactory completion of advanced study or training.
Experience	Minimum one year experience in a related field.
Certifications and Other Requirements	Valid Driver's License.
Reading	Work requires the ability to read reports, correspondence, software manuals, management books, trade journals, and policies at a college level.
Math	Work requires the ability to perform general and basic math calculations, including calculating distances and creating charts at a college level.
Writing	Work requires the ability to write memos, letters, reports, e-mail, correspondence with customers, policies, and bulletins at a college level.
Managerial	Job has no responsibility for the direction or supervision of others but may provide advice/direction to an employee with less experience/skill or tenure.
Policy/Decision Making	Significant - The employee normally performs the job by following established standard operating procedures and/or policies. There is a choice of the appropriate procedure or policy to apply to duties. More complex work as well as decisions with more significant impacts may be reviewed prior to being finalized.
Technical Skills	Broad Application - Work requires a comprehensive, practical knowledge of a technical field with use of analytical judgment and decision-making abilities.
Interpersonal/Human Relations Skills	Moderate - Work requires regular interaction involving exchange and receipt of information. The purpose of interactions is primarily the sharing of information.

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Physical Demands

Frequency Code Scale

N = Never	R = Rarely	O = Occasionally	F = Frequently	C = Constantly
Never occurs	Less than 1 hour/week	Up to 1/3 of the time	From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time	2/3 or more of the time

Physical Demand	Frequency Code (Mark only one)	Description: (Check all that apply)
Standing	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☐ Making presentations ☒ Observing work site ☒ Observing work duties ☒ Communicating with co-workers
Fine Dexterity	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ Computer keyboard ☒ Telephone keypad ☒ Calculator ☐ Calibrating equipment
Walking	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☐ To other departments/offices ☒ Around work site
Lifting	☐ N ☐ R ☒ O ☐ F ☐ C	☒ Supplies ☒ Equipment ☒ Files
Carrying	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ Supplies ☒ Equipment ☐ Files
Sitting	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ Desk work ☒ Meetings ☒ Driving
Reaching	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ For supplies ☒ For files
Handling	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ Paperwork ☒ Monies
Kneeling	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ Filing in lower drawers ☒ Retrieving items from lower shelves/ground
Crawling	☐ N ☐ R ☒ O ☐ F ☐ C	☒ Under equipment ☒ Inside attics/pipes/ditches

Physical Demand	Frequency Code (Mark only one)	Description: (Check all that apply)
Pushing/ Pulling	☐ N ☐ R ☒ O ☐ F ☐ C	☒ File drawers ☒ Equipment ☒ Tables and chairs ☐ Hoses
Climbing	☐ N ☐ R ☒ O ☐ F ☐ C	☒ Stairs ☒ Ladders ☒ Step stools ☐ Onto equipment
Vision	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ Reading ☒ Computer screen ☒ Driving ☒ Observing work site
Foot Controls	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ Driving ☐ Operating heavy equipment ☐ Operating Dictaphone
Balancing	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ On ladders ☒ On equipment ☒ On step stools
Bending	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ Filing in lower drawers ☒ Retrieving items from lower shelves/ground ☐ Making repairs
Crouching	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☒ F ☐ C	☒ Filing in lower drawers ☒ Retrieving items from lower shelves/ground
Hearing	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ Communicating via telephone/radio, to co-workers/public ☒ Listening to equipment
Twisting	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ From computer to telephone ☒ Getting inside vehicle
Talking	☐ N ☐ R ☐ O ☐ F ☒ C	☒ Communicating via telephone/radio, to co-workers/public
Other		(Explain)

Physical Demands (continued)

Machines, Tools, Equipment and Work Aids:

Forensic equipment, vehicle, ladders, generator, lighting equipment, cameras, latent print equipment, vacuum (trace) equipment,
biological equipment, tape recorders, digital recorders, VHS recorder, CD & DVD burners,.

Computer Equipment and Software:

Personal Computer, Microsoft Office, Video Analysis, Audio Analysis, Photoshop, New World, Lerms, ID software

Environmental Factors:

Environmental Conditions	Never	Seasonally	Several Times Per Month	Several Times Per Week	Daily
Extreme temperature (heat, cold, extreme temp. changes from outside work)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Wetness and/or humidity (bodily discomfort from moisture)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Respiratory hazards (fumes, gases, chemicals, dust and dirt)	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Noise and vibration (sufficient to cause hearing loss)	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐
Physical hazards (high voltage, dangerous machinery, aggressive prisoners, patients – not customers)	☒	☐	☐	☐	☐

Health and Safety Conditions:

Health and Safety Conditions	N = Never	R = Rarely	O = Occasionally	F = Frequently	C = Constantly
	Never occurs	Less than 1 hour per week	1/3 or more of the time	From 1/3 to 2/3 of the time	2/3 or more of the time
Mechanical hazards	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐
Chemical hazards	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Electrical hazards	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐
Fire hazards	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Explosives	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Communicable diseases	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Physical danger or abuse	☐	☒	☐	☐	☐
Other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Primary Work Location:

☒ Office Environment
☐ Warehouse
☐ Shop
☐ Vehicle
☐ Recreation Centers/Neighborhood Centers
☐ Outdoors
☐ Other (Specify)

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Protective Equipment Required:

Tyvek Suit (bio), N80 Masks, gloves, hairnets, safety vest, booties, gas mask.

Job Demands

Overall Strength Demands:

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☐ Sedentary	Exerting up to 10 pounds occasionally or negligible weights frequently; sitting most of the time.
☐ Light	Exerting up to 20 pounds occasionally, 10 pounds frequently, or negligible amounts constantly AND/OR walking or standing to a significant degree.
☒ Medium	Exerting 20-50 pounds occasionally, 10-25 pounds frequently, or up to 10 pounds constantly.
☐ Heavy	Exerting 50-100 pounds occasionally, 25-50 pounds frequently, or from 10 up to 20 pounds constantly.
☐ Very Heavy	Exerting over 100 pounds occasionally, 50-100 pounds frequently, or from 20 up to 50 pounds constantly.

Non-physical Demands:

Non-physical Demands	Frequently	Occasionally	Rarely	Never
Time Pressures	☒	☐	☐	☐
Emergency Situations	☐	☒	☐	☐
Frequent Change of Tasks	☒	☐	☐	☐
Irregular Schedule/Overtime	☒	☐	☐	☐
Performing Multiple Tasks Simultaneously	☒	☐	☐	☐
Working Closely with Others as Part of a Team	☒	☐	☐	☐
Tedious or Exacting Work	☒	☐	☐	☐
Noisy/Distracting Environment	☐	☒	☐	☐
Other (Describe below.)	☐	☐	☐	☐

EXPECTED BEHAVIOR:

Staff – Expected Behavior

The employee is expected to embrace, support, and promote the City's values, beliefs, and culture Which include but are not limited to the following:

- Be positive. Do not participate in gossip
- Maintain confidentiality
- Walk the talk – uphold and live the Goodyear culture
- Encourage positive feedback
- Be accountable – submit responses to all requests for information by due date and meet deadlines
- Support a learning culture
- Be on time for all meetings
- Create and implement ethical standards for your worksite
- Be fiscally responsible
- Support the City's values and mission
- Let common sense prevail
- Be visionary – anticipate issues
- Support organizational change
- Establish and maintain positive and effective working relationships with co-workers, supervisors, subordinates, contractors and vendors
- Understand City policies and procedures, make rational decisions/recommendations in accordance with established policy.
- Work in a safe manner and report unsafe activities and conditions. Follow the City-wide safety policy and everyone's responsibility. Make it a critical part of the day to day operations.
- Foster teamwork and actively participate on teams and in City activities
- Lead by example
- Provide outstanding customer service to internal and external customers

These traits are not basic job requirements but are expected behavior. Other duties and responsibilities will be performed as assigned.

SIGNATURES—REVIEW AND COMMENT:

I have reviewed this job analysis and its attachments and find it to be an accurate description of the demands of this job.

	_____	_____
	Signature of Employee	Date
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Job Title of Supervisor	Signature of Supervisor	Date
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Job Title of Department Director	Signature of Department Director	Date

Comments:_____

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The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by individuals assigned to this job. They are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required of personnel so classified in this position. This job description is subject to change as the needs and requirements of the job change.