# POLICE PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN I POLICE PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN II

#### **DEFINITION**

To perform responsible technical and administrative involving receiving, recording, categorizing, storing, controlling and disposing of police evidence and property; to protect the integrity of evidence throughout the judicial process; and to ensure compliance with all State and local laws regarding the storage and disposition of property and evidence.

#### **DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Police Property and Evidence Technician I</u> - This is the entry level class in the Police Property and Evidence Technician series. Positions in this class typically have little or no directly related work experience and work under immediate supervision while learning job tasks. The Police Property and Evidence Technician I class is distinguished from the II level by the performance of less than the full range of duties assigned to the II level. Incumbents work under immediate supervision while learning job tasks, progressing to general supervision as procedures and processes of assigned area of responsibility are learned.

<u>Police Property and Evidence Technician II</u> - This is the journey level class in the Police Property and Evidence Technician series and is distinguished from the I level by the ability to perform the full range of duties assigned with only occasional instruction or assistance as unusual or unique situations arise. Positions in this class are flexibly staffed and are normally filled by advancement from the I level.

#### SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

#### Police Property and Evidence Technician I

Receives immediate supervision from the Police Property and Evidence Supervisor.

## Police Property and Evidence Technician II

Receives general supervision from the Police Property and Evidence Supervisor.

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES - Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Receive, record, categorize, store and maintain control of property and evidence, including but not limited to, hazardous and toxic materials, chemicals and substances and firearms; maintain a complete chain of custody; identify and resolve discrepancies in and contact sworn personnel as needed; determine and arrange for or transport evidence for additional outside analysis or storage.

Receive requests from the public and outside agencies; provide information regarding procedures for obtaining property and evidence and laws governing the release of such.

Process requests from the District Attorney's Office; copy, prepare and maintain confidential and evidentiary documents, CDs, DVDs, photographs and other evidence; coordinate with District Attorney's Officer for the review of such evidence; prepare evidence for court and document chain of custody.

Access restricted databases to obtain information related to identify and criminal history and to review case status to determine if evidence can be released or destroyed; determine ownership and follow policies, procedures and laws in the release and destruction of evidence.

Conduct purging of property and evidence in compliance with department policies; obtain authorization and arrange for the destruction and disposal of property and evidence including hazardous and toxic materials, chemicals and substances.

Release property consistent with department policies and procedures and State laws; prepare correspondence to property owner for the release of property.

Maintain a variety of records regarding the custody, location, release and destruction of property and evidence ensuring compliance with applicable laws, codes and regulations.

Perform self-audits of property and evidence, verifying location; assist with K9 narcotic department audits; arrange for and participate in narcotic, guns, and money audits; document and submit results of audit.

Maintain legal custody and control of the property and evidence room with alarmed key card access; move and shift property and evidence as required to maintain storage levels; requisition materials and supplies, as necessary.

Use safety precautions and follow Department procedures to properly handle firearms, weapons, chemical samples, blood, DNA, narcotics, syringes, toxic materials, money, valuable items, illicit material, and alcoholic beverages to prevent injury, avoid contamination and assure chain of custody.

Work with sworn personnel to facilitate victim viewings of property and evidence, ensuring the safe keeping and chain of custody of said property and evidence.

Testify in court regarding handling and chain-of-custody of evidence.

Build and maintain positive working relationships with co-workers, other City employees and the public using principles of good customer service.

Perform related work as required.

# **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

# Police Property and Evidence Technician I

# Knowledge of:

Basic techniques for effectively maintaining a warehouse environment.

Principles and practices of work safety.

Modern office equipment and procedures including use of a variety of software applications.

Customer service principles and public relations techniques.

English language usage, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

#### Ability to:

Learn to effectively process, handle, store and dispose of evidence and property.

Intermittently review documents related to department operations; observe, identify and problem solve procedural issues.

On a continuous basis, sit at a desk for long periods of time; intermittently twist to reach equipment surrounding desk; perform simple grasping and fine manipulation; use telephone, and write or use keyboard to communicate through written means; and lift or carry weight of 50 pounds or less.

Learn basic techniques and practices of chain of custody rules used in law enforcement property and evidence processing, storage, and disposition.

Learn to interpret and apply Federal, State and local policies, procedures, laws and regulations.

Learn to understand, access and accurately interpret information from various law enforcement computer systems.

Maintain accurate records and logs.

Preserve confidentiality of sensitive materials.

Safely handle firearms, narcotics, biohazard materials and chemicals.

Use a personal computer and a variety of software applications.

Plan and organize workload.

Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.

# **Experience and Training**

# Experience:

No experience is required. Two years of increasingly responsible clerical and administrative support experience is preferred.

AND

# **Training**:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade, GED, or higher level degree.

#### License or Certificate

Possession of a valid California driver's license by date of appointment.

# Police Property and Evidence Technician II

In addition to requirements for the Police Property and Evidence Technician I:

# Knowledge of:

Proper use of various law enforcement databases and software.

Pertinent Federal, State and local laws, rules and regulations related to the collection, storage, and disposition of evidence including the proper handling of guns, drugs and money.

Courtroom protocol and procedures, including methods and practices of providing testimony.

Safety regulations related to the proper handling, storage and transportation of hazardous materials and biohazards.

Methods for the safe and proper handling, recording, storage and disposal of property and evidence.

Principles and practices of records management systems including inventory techniques.

Advanced techniques and practices of chain of custody rules used in law enforcement property and evidence processing, storage, and disposition.

#### Ability to:

Independently receive, process, store and dispose of evidence and property.

Read, interpret, apply and explain laws, rules, court orders, dispositions, and property releases.

Use independent judgment and personal initiative.

Know, understand, interpret and explain department and program policies and procedures.

Understand, access and accurately interpret information from various computer systems.

Effectively testify in court, as required.

#### Experience and Training

#### Experience:

Two years of responsible experience performing duties similar to that of a Police Property and Evidence Technician I with the City of Roseville.

**AND** 

# **Training**:

Equivalent to completion of the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade, GED, or higher level degree.

#### License or Certificate

Possession of a valid California driver's license by date of appointment.

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11-21-13	
08-25-12	Police Property and Evidence Clerk I/II
08-18-03	
05-16-97	
12-14-90	
10-01-88	Police Records Clerk I/II
11-19-79	Police Receptionist