

**HOSTLER**  
**Part-time**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** Under general supervision, the incumbent is responsible for the handling, grooming and cleaning of horses on a part-time basis. The Assistant Hostler participates in the daily care and feeding of the police horses. Responsibilities also include cleaning stalls, saddles, bridles, etc., on an as needed basis. The incumbent will also be trained in the care of horses, including identification and treatment of minor injuries. Supervision over others is not typical of this class.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:** (Illustrative Only)

- Feeds and waters horses (must be fed 1-2 hours prior to transporting);
- Cleans stalls and stable;
- Grooms horses (each horse requires about 30 minutes of daily grooming);
- Exercises horses not scheduled to patrol;
- Stores hay when received;
- Picks up and restocks feed;
- May assist in the loading and unloading of horses into trailers;
- May assist in care and treatment of minor injuries;
- Performs related work as required.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

- Good knowledge of the care and feeding of horses;
- Good knowledge of horse grooming equipment and its use;
- Skill in the handling of horses (loading, trailering, unloading);
- Ability to learn basic medical care of horses;
- Ability to keep horse equipment, stalls and stables clean;
- Must be capable of heavy lifting (hay bales, feed bags);
- Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

None

**NOTE:**

Position may require ability to work Saturdays, Sundays and holidays; and able to work shift assignments during the day, evening and nights.

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