



**MARINE PATROL OFFICER**  
**(SEASONAL)**

Jurisdiction Class: Non-Competitive  
Civil Division: County  
Adoption: 7/2/1986 YCCSC  
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**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:**

The work mainly involves responsibility for patrolling the navigable waters, adjacent lands, and recreational access areas within but not limited to the geographical jurisdiction of Yates County. An incumbent operates Sheriff's patrol vehicles, boats and a variety of recreational classed motor vehicles and enforces New York State law to insure the safe operation of vessels and recreational vehicles. An incumbent makes arrests, issues and serves appearance tickets with respect to crimes under the laws of New York State. Supervision is received by a senior deputy sheriff police officer employee, including but not limited to a School Resource Officer of the Sheriff's Office. The position does not entail supervision of other officers. Does related work as required and assigned.

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

Operates Sheriff's patrol vessels, motor vehicles, motor cycles, horses, or other motor and recreational vehicles, including towing equipment, observing that safety, and laws are followed by those using the harbors, lakes, waterways including when frozen, and seasonal lands and trails is maintained;

Responds, rescues, investigates, searches on and under water, uses special equipment, and takes required action on crime prevention and law enforcement complaints related to water-recreational, shoreline, vessels, and other recreational vehicles, i.e. snowmobiles, motorcycles, ATV's, PWC's, etc.;

Performs checks of various classes of vessels and recreational vehicles for proper safety equipment;

Investigates floating object permit or recreational related applications as required by the Sheriff and New York State laws, rules, or local ordinances;

Inspects public vessels or recreational vehicles in need or distress, by towing or otherwise, and inspects public/private property related to recreational vehicle access;

Monitors harbors, fishing derbies, sailing regattas, boat shows, water exhibitions, frozen water activities, water craft or recreational vehicle races, aids to navigation, required buoys, markers, navigation lights, public launch sites, public and seasonal private lands and trails;

Removes or causes the removal of debris causing a hazard to navigation or recreational use, and sheriffs salvage responsibilities;

Maintains records of patrol activity and completes required reports;

Makes arrests for related crimes, completes and files accusatory instruments, issues appropriate appearance tickets and summons, and attends court when required;

May instruct the NYS Boaters Operator type courses, Snowmobile Operators Course and other related courses, and make recreational vehicle safety presentations or inspections;

Renders assistance to Deputy Sheriff's, School Resource Officers, inter-County or surrounding county law enforcement agencies, Local and state police and Environmental Conservation Park Police, U.S. Coast Guard, Boat/U.S. Foundation, Power Squadrons, State Office of Parks and Recreation Marine Bureau and Snowmobile/Recreational vehicles, Fire Departments and EMS or related public service or educational entities;

Operates various safety related and specialty equipment;

Assignment to temporary non-seasonal recreational patrol activities when required or other peace officer duties when required, as well as off duty on-call or standby;

Performs other duties as assigned.

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

Good knowledge of the NYS Navigation Law and related criminal sections of the Penal Law, Vehicle and Traffic Law, Criminal Procedure Law, Parks and Recreation Historic Preservation Law, Environmental Conservation Law and local boating and recreational vehicle, laws, rules and ordinances;

Good knowledge of the Geography of local harbors and waterways, shoreline and launching sites, as well as recreation areas, public trails, and local recreational vehicle accesses;

Good knowledge of the operation of maintenance of various vessels and equipment;

Working knowledge of the laws on deadly and physical force;  
Skill in the operation of power boats, and motorized recreational type vehicles;  
Ability to make arrests, inspections and enforce laws and ordinances;  
Ability to retain, shoot and qualify with firearms and other peace officer safety equipment;  
Ability to operate various safety, search and related patrol equipment;  
Ability to work cooperatively with other personnel;  
Ability to perform/assist in land or water searches, rescue or recovery diving operations;  
Ability to work with people in stressful situations;  
Tact, courtesy and understanding;  
Ability to prepare written material and operate computer and communication equipment;  
Ability to understand written and verbal English instructions;  
Ability to perform tasks in various weather conditions;  
Physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma; AND Experience in the operation or maintenance of, recreational classed vehicles or vessels.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR APPOINTMENT AND CONTINUED EMPLOYMENT:**

- 1) Possession of an appropriate NYS driver's license;
- 2) Possession of a NYS carry pistol permit;
- 3) Demonstrated ability to operate power boats and recreational vehicle related transportation and equipment after agency vessel operation training and or probationary term;
- 4) Ability to swim;
- 5) Successful completion of a NYS Boater Safety Course;
- 6) Successful completion of a Recreational Vehicle Operator Course;
- 7) Successful completion of NYS Municipal Police Training Council's certified Peace Officer with Firearms, Active Shooter response training and School Resource Officer Crime Prevention Training within one year of appointment or equivalency which exceed or meets requirements.