

Career Fact Sheet

Natural Resource Officer

DESCRIPTION

This is the full-time working level of the Resource Officer Series. Persons hired at this level generally have previous experience as a seasonal Park Patrol Officer and may have fire suppression experience. As part of a district team, you will be required to manage resource protection and compliance programs within an assigned area. Natural Resource Officers are stationed throughout the province and may transfer throughout their careers to broaden their experience. Advancement to a more senior level, such as District Supervisor or Regional Field Supervisor may occur after several years and through a competition process.

Typical duties of the Natural Resource Officer

- Enforcement of all resource-based acts and regulations relating to fish, wildlife, parks, wildfires, forestry, and crown lands. This includes patrols, education, investigations, and issuing warnings, laying charges, preparing court briefs and participating in court.
- Manage and actively participate in the park safety and security program including supervision of seasonal enforcement staff.
- Responsible for prevention, detection and suppression of wildfires, including fire line command, aircraft management, hiring and supervision of staff, and financial control.
- Wildlife management programs for wild animals such as black bears, polar bears, wolves, coyotes, deer, elk and waterfowl to protect persons, property, livestock and crops.
- Inspect, monitor and regulate commercial resource-based activities, such as logging, commercial fishing, lodges and outfitters, mineral exploration and other activities on crown lands.

QUALIFICATIONS & SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- Graduation from an approved renewable resource management program with resource law enforcement content, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience as determined to be satisfactory by the department.
- Eligibility for appointment as a Natural Resource Officer and clear criminal record.
- Successfully complete an approved psychological assessment and Physical Abilities Readiness Evaluation P.A.R.E. (RCMP exit standard).
- Possess a valid Manitoba class 4 driver's licence, current Standard CPR & First Aid certificate, Canadian Firearms Safety certificate and successfully complete the 16 week Conservation Enforcement Academy.
- Certify and maintain Firearm, Defensive Tactics and Emergency Vehicle Operation department standards.