



Recreation Attendant

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Job Description:

Recreation attendants keep things running smoothly at places where people go to have fun.

Gross Monthly Income:

\$1,300

Wages:

Average median yearly pay is about \$16,000 a year in Utah.

Schedule: Generally work and irregular schedule. Most work less than 40 hours a week. May work evenings, weekends, and holidays.



Advancement:

Advancement opportunities are limited for recreation attendants. Those who have good people skills may become supervisors. With experience and additional training, they may become managers.

Education & Experience:

- ♦ Complete short term on the job training

High

School Courses:

- ♦ Hospitality
- ♦ Office Procedures
- ♦ Physical Education

Work Conditions:

- ♦ Have a high level of social contact. They spend most their time helping customers.
- ♦ May sometimes deal with angry or unpleasant customers, and are sometimes placed in conflict situations.
- ♦ Are responsible for the health and safety of others. They must be sure that equipment is used in a safe manner.
- ♦ Usually work outdoors at amusement parks. However, attendants at bowling alleys and other recreation facilities work indoors.
- ♦ Are highly competitive with other travel agents.
- ♦ Need to be able to express ideas clearly when speaking or writing

Travel: None

Job Outlook:



Large

Hours a Week:

25

Leisure Time:

High

Knowledge:

- ♦ Customer & Personal Service
- ♦ Administration & Management
- ♦ Clerical
- ♦ English Language
- ♦ Computers & Electronics

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Overview

Most everyone agrees that if life is "all work and no play," life isn't very enjoyable. Just as work is fulfilling, so is our time off that we spend with family and friends or pursuing hobbies. Many studies show that making time for recreation is a key part of staying healthy. Perhaps a good way to combine the need for play and the need to work is to become a recreation attendant. Recreation attendants work at amusement parks, golf courses, and health clubs. They also work at beaches, swimming pools, and ski areas.

Recreation attendants who work at amusement parks perform many tasks. They sell tickets to customers. They lead tours and are available for questions about activities and attractions. Other attendants at amusement parks operate rides. They help passengers get on rides and make sure they use safety equipment and follow rules. They also keep the rides clean and inspect each ride to make sure that it is operating correctly and safely. Some recreation attendants work in booths at amusement parks and carnivals. They promote games and attractions to customers and award prizes to winners. Some recreation attendants sell food and drinks. Others keep amusement park and carnival grounds clean.

Recreation attendants also work in bowling alleys, swimming pools, and health clubs. They collect money or fees and give change to customers. Recreation attendants provide information about the facility and the services provided. They schedule special events, such as tennis matches or swim meets. Some recreation attendants rent or lend equipment to customers. They may also explain how the equipment is used. They make sure equipment is in good working order and keep track of who has borrowed it. Some recreation attendants keep locker rooms clean. They may also sell food, drinks, or gifts.

Some recreation attendants work with horses and other animals. They feed, groom, and saddle horses so that people can ride them. Other recreation attendants work at lakes, beaches, and places where people rent boats, canoes, or rafts. They keep track of when boats are borrowed and when they are due back. They also make sure people use life jackets and other safety equipment.

Pathway:

Marketing