

Position Title - Dispatcher Reserves, Part-Time, On Call

Posting Period - February 1, 2021- until filled

Salary Range - \$20.45 /hour

How to apply - Submit City of Winooski Application to Human Resources

Purpose

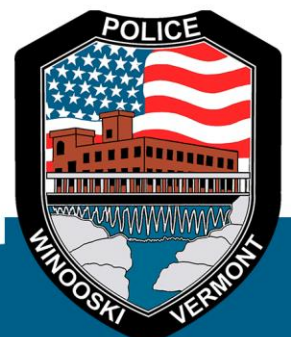
The dispatcher receives, processes and directs all oral and much of the written communications coming into the Police Department. By following established procedures and employing common sense, the Dispatcher performs highly responsible communications work in receiving and dispatching police, rescue and fire emergency calls and messages to the appropriate authorities and personnel. The dispatcher maintains and retrieves records and files information for dissemination to patrol units and department personnel. The dispatcher has primary responsibility for the initial deployment of public safety personnel and equipment subject to the provisions of the applicable written directives. Part-time Reserve Dispatchers cover shifts that are vacant due to leave of absence, vacations, or for special events when the department requires temporary additional staff on shift.

Funding Source - General Fund

Major Responsibilities¹

- Report any deployment of Police Officers beyond their regularly assigned duties to the appropriate shift supervisor.
- Be thoroughly familiar with the department's procedures relating to the use of radio and other communications equipment.
- Acquire a thorough knowledge of location and layout of streets, buildings, parks, housing projects and other significant areas of the community so as to maximize the accuracy and speed of dispatch.
- Be familiar with emergency procedures that relate to matters requiring urgent police, rescue and fire attention so as to be capable of activating them immediately.
- Keep personnel who have been dispatched on calls fully informed of all facts effecting the safety and efficiency of their response to the call.
- Inform the Shift Supervisor when contact with an officer on patrol cannot be made after a reasonable amount of time.
- Maintain equipment, especially the emergency call lines in working order and immediately report any malfunction or defect to the Shift Supervisor.

¹ Major Responsibilities are the essential functions that the individual who holds the position must be able to perform unaided or with the assistance of reasonable accommodation.



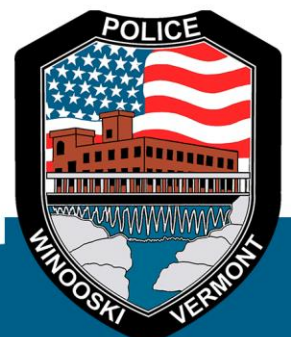
- Record all significant communications as required by departmental procedures.
- Answer all telephone calls promptly and appropriately, and assist all complaints in a calm, civil manner.
- Monitor closed circuit television systems in order to ensure station security and the proper supervision of persons confined.
- Receive security and fire alarms and dispatch appropriate response units.
- Maintain the departmental daily log ensuring an accurate recording of calls received and other significant events.
- Disseminate police information concerning wanted persons, stolen vehicles, missing person, and other police information as may be received by the, Teletype, telephone or other means.
- Render assistance to the general public who make inquiries at Police Headquarters, and take preliminary reports of crimes, incidents or requests for police services.
- Perform other duties as may be required which the employee is capable and qualified to perform.

Minor Responsibilities (5%)

- Minor Administrative tasks such as time sheets are completed in a timely and accurate manner.
- Participate in the continuous improvement of the City of Winooski by identifying concerns, and offering solutions.
- Provide a high level of customer service to both internal and external customers.
- Support the City's commitment to equity and cultural competency.
- Encourage and participate in professional development and training activities.
- Demonstrate commitment to the City Team buy learning about other departments and working collaboratively in cross functional areas.
- Work in alignment with the City's Strategic Vision Plan, and maintain an active role in the team effort required to achieve those goals.

Classified/Non-Classified - Non-Classified

Position Type - Part-time, On Call. Hours for this position vary and are on an as needed basis.



Emergency Response and On Call Requirements

No requirement

Physical and Mental Requirements

These are physical and mental requirements of the position as it is typically performed. Inability to meet one or more of these physical or mental requirements will not automatically disqualify a candidate or employee from the position. Upon request for a reasonable accommodation, the City may be able to adjust or excuse one or more of these requirements, depending on the requirement, the essential functions to which it relates, and the proposed accommodation.

- Seeing
- Inside
- Hearing/listening
- Clear speech
- Touching
- Dexterity with hand and finger
- Reading
- Math skills – basic
- Writing – basic
- Analysis/comprehension – moderate
- Judgment/decision making
- Clerical
- Sitting at work station for long periods
- Works with others
- Lifting (up to 40 pounds)
- Carrying (up to 40 pounds)
- Pushing/pulling
- Moving objects
- Noise, moderate
- bending, kneeling, squatting
- Use of software systems required to execute duties
- dirt/dust
- Use of basic office equipment
- face-to-face contact
- verbal contact w/others
- Occasional staging
- Contact with others via phone
- View computer screen for long periods of time
- Judgment/decision making in stressful situations that require quick response



Reporting Structure

Reports to: Dispatch Supervisor
Direct Reports: none
Indirect Reports none

Minimum Job Skills, Knowledge, Skills, and Aptitudes, and Qualifications

- High school diploma or equivalent.
- Experience with office equipment, typewriters, computers and communications systems is highly desirable.
- Working knowledge of the principals involved in the operation of radio, telephone and related communication's equipment.
- Knowledge of the street system and the geography of the Winooski Area. Ability to speak clearly and concisely.
- Ability to think and act quickly, calmly, and accurately in an emergency situation.
- Ability to type accurately at a reasonable rate of speed.
- Ability to develop, within a reasonable period of time, skill and speed in the operations of the communication's equipment and to demonstrate knowledge of public safety practices and procedures.
- Ability to understand and follow complex oral and written instructions.

Post offer Pre-Employment Screening:

Employment reference and Police Department background check required.

Approved by City Council

