

Wastewater Operator – Public Wastewater Utility Key West, Florida

Requirement: Class C or higher WWTP Operator's License

Salary Range \$50,000 to \$90,000

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Live and work as an Operator in the paradise that is the beautiful Florida Keys. Compensation package includes health, dental, retirement benefits, paid vacation, paid holidays, paid personal days, and paid membership to The Key West Golf Club. To contact the Utility for an employment application or for other inquiries please email: [hiring@kwru.com](mailto: hiring@kwru.com).

KW Resort Utilities Corp (KW RU) is a Public Utility operating a .850MGD AWT Wastewater Treatment Plant at a single location in Key West, Florida. The Utility is currently hiring a WWTP Operator, responsible for operating the treatment plant in a professional manner in accordance with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) rules and regulations. Class "C" or higher with AWT experience is plus. Qualified candidates must have demonstrated experience in the operation of a wastewater treatment plant. Candidates must have proficiency in process control and must have a demonstrated history of making process control decisions.

Candidates must have a basic understanding of pumps, mixers, blowers, and the electrical and mechanical machinery that is integral to the wastewater treatment plant. Must be proficient with various instruments and meters commonly found in wastewater treatment plants including hand held meters, in-line instrumentation, and laboratory equipment. Candidates must be able to utilize, calibrate, and maintain this equipment in good working order. Operator must be able to communicate clearly and in a timely manner any maintenance problems, mechanical problems, equipment failures, or other pertinent technical information to the Facilities Manager or other Utility Managers.

A representative sample of Wastewater Operator responsibilities includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Responsible for plant and unit processes and their operation. Provides assistance to other plant operations personnel.
- Responsible for the treatment plant meeting Florida Department of Environmental Protection regulatory requirements.
- Communicate in written or oral form in a clear and concise manner with customers, employees, outside vendors, or other professionals who consult for the Utility.
- Maintain accurate and meticulous records, logs, etc. as required by FDEP and Utility management. Must pay attention to detail.
- Identify and solve complex problems utilizing a structured thought process.
- Solves problems from a macro perspective of what's best for the Utility verses a micro view.
- Must be able to work with management, take direction from management, and utilize constructive feedback from management to change activities or behaviors.
- Follow all corporate policy, procedure, work instructions, or SOPs.
- Must be able to act in accordance with and promote corporate goals and values.
- Must be accountable and be willing to take on additional assignments.
- Must be able to meet deadlines.
- Must be a team player who is willing to mentor, assist, or motivate other employees.

- Must be able to schedule and prioritize and coordinate with management for the use of corporate resources.
- Maintain laboratory records and carrying out the sampling regime as required by the DEP Permit and the Utility in-house process control sampling and laboratory work.
- Communicate and interact with contract lab technicians, vendors, customers, and other utility employees in all matters that relate to the proper functioning of the treatment plant or related unit processes.
- On occasion must be capable of responding to inquiries from Utility Engineers, Accountants, Board Members, or Managers in written or verbal format as dictated by the situation or request.
- Must be willing to be on a rotational on-call schedule.
- Works in collaboration with the Facilities Manager to plan maintenance, make emergency repairs, or provide other information that may be required to purchase, repair, or maintain equipment or machinery.
- Must maintain concern for cost and quality and consequences of each when making purchases or recommendations for purchases.
- Must be able to utilize a smartphone to access SCADA applications to monitor and control the wastewater treatment plant remotely. Must be comfortable changing parameters on user interfaces on devices at the treatment plant. Must possess the ability to work with office equipment including computers and office phone systems.
- Responsible for implementing and carrying out safety protocols at the Wastewater Treatment Plant including but not limited to Corporate Policy, Corporate SOP's, Company work instructions, and OSHA requirements.
- Must possess a valid Driver's License issued by the State of Florida and must have a good driving history.
- Must be capable of lifting 60 pounds. Must be able to perform physical work utilizing equipment and tools as necessary. Must be able to walk on uneven surfaces often and climb ladders and stairs frequently. Must be physically able to operate valves, winches, and other typical wastewater treatment plant appurtenances.