

## MDSC JOB DESCRIPTION

## Lifeguard

General Summary	Under guidance of the Waterfront Director, is responsible for ensuring the safety of campers and staff in and around the waterfront area. Assists with all instructional swimming sessions and with the maintenance of the waterfront area. Works within the framework of the program, policies, standards and expectations of the Greek Orthodox Church, State of Michigan Licensing & Regulatory Affairs agency Agency, American Camping Association, American Red Cross Water Safety Programs and the Metropolis of Detroit Summer Camp Board of Trustees.
Principle Duties	1. Provide an example of Christian behavior and language to all campers and
& Responsibilities	fellow staff.
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	4. Working with Waterfront Director, assists with all instructional swimming sessions.
	<ul><li>5. During recreational swimming sessions, ensures the safety of all campers and staff. Arrives at post prior to swimmers entering the water and does not leave post until every swimmer has been checked out of the water.</li><li>6. Assists with all search and rescues, or swimmer assists.</li></ul>
	7. While on duty, concentrates entire attention on assigned area. Remains standing and fully observant of swimmers and boaters at all times.
	<ul><li>8. Maintains alertness for potential dangers and enforces all water safety rules.</li><li>9. Assists campers with using boats and other watercraft.</li></ul>
	10. While on duty, constantly cross-checks the number of campers in the water against the number of blue Buddy tags.
	11. During Buddy checks, ensures that all campers and staff are silent while swimmer count is being taken. Assists with verifying the count being taken by the Waterfront Director.
	12. Assists with maintenance of all waterfront supplies, lifesaving equipment and watercraft. Reports any shortages of supply of needed repairs to the Waterfront Director.
	13. On a daily basis, all waterfront staff are to complete daily beach maintenance, which includes sweeping of stairs, patio and dock, raking beach, straightening equipment and disposing of trash.
	14. Reports any injuries to the Waterfront Director, or directs the camper to the Camp Health Director.
	15. Assists with preparation for annual inspections.
	16. Works in a Counselor/CIT role when not assigned to the Waterfront.

Skills Required	1. Ability to assist with all aspects of the safety of campers and staff at the
	waterfront area.
	2. Ability to work with children and staff of all ages, and evaluate their progress
	during instructional swimming.
	3. Ability to understand the serious nature of the lifeguard role and handle the
	responsibilities in a mature manner.
	4. Ability to work long hours, involving continuous periods of standing.
	5. Ability to provide full concentration to assigned area(s).

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Working Conditions	<ol> <li>Outdoor setting, with varied summer temperatures and long term exposure to the sun.</li> <li>Responsible for the safety of all who use the waterfront.</li> </ol>
Minimum Level of Preparation and Training	<ol> <li>Must be a minimum of 16 or 17 years of age at the time they will be at camp, and have completed Junior year (11<sup>th</sup>) grade in high school.</li> <li>Certified as American Red Cross Lifeguard, American Red Cross Advanced Lifesaving, YMCA Lifeguard, Lifeguard (BSA), Royal Lifesaving Bronze Medallion or equivalent. Must also hold current CPR certification.</li> <li>Demonstration of skills in rescue and emergency procedures specific to aquatic area and assigned activities.</li> <li>Established record in leadership roles.</li> <li>Completion of Archdiocese Youth Protection Online Training.</li> </ol>

Reporting Relationship	Reports to the Waterfront Director, Camp Director/Assistant Director.
Subordinates	None
Salaried	Yes

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