GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Gary W. Black, Commissioner

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JOB TITLE:	MEAT INSPECTOR 1 OR MEAT INSPECTOR 2
POSITION NUMBER:	00051910
LOCATION:	Animal Industry Division, Meat Inspection, District 2
	(APPLICANT MUST RESIDE IN ROCKDALE COUNTY OR SURROUNDING COUNTY.)
POSTING DATE:	DECEMBER 2, 2016
APPLICATION DEADLINE:	DECEMBER 16, 2016
WHO MAY APPLY:	ALL QUALIFIED APPLICANTS
PAY GRADE:	MEAT INSPECTOR 1: PAYGRADE G MEAT INSPECTOR 2: PAYGRADE H
ENTRY SALARY:	MEAT INSPECTOR 1 - \$2,583.33/MONTH MEAT INSPECTOR 2 - \$2,686.67/MONTH

We at the Georgia Department of Agriculture (GDA) take our responsibilities to you very seriously and are committed to protecting and promoting Georgia's agriculture through superior service and leadership. The mission of the GDA is to protect consumers, promote agriculture, both locally and globally, and assist our customers using education, technology and a professional workforce. The vision of the GDA is to continue to be a globally recognized leader in agricultural excellence through a commitment to safety, quality, growth and innovation.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES: APPLICANT MUST RESIDE IN ROCKDALE COUNTY, A SURROUNDING COUNTY OR BE WILLING TO RELOCATE.

The Meat Inspection Section of the GDA governs and regulates the statutes on meat slaughter and processing plants to assure a safe, wholesome, and properly labeled meat supply for consumers. Meat Inspection regulates red meat slaughter & processing and performs daily inspection of state facilities, federal facilities, and custom-exempt facilities. The Meat Inspection Program provides compliance oversight of meat products in commerce and the slaughter and processing of farm raised commercial non-amenable species.

Inspects red meat, red meat products, and meat processing facilities to determine compliance with regulatory standards. This includes ante-mortem, post-mortem, and sanitation inspections. This position requires that you have your own personal transportation and be willing to work in adjoining areas as dictated by program requirements (travel outside circuit is expected to be less than 15%).

NOTE: This position may require first and/or second-shift duties.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Meat Inspector 1 – Completion of high school diploma or GED and one year of experience in the area of assignment; or completion of two years of college which included 12 semester/20 quarter hours in chemistry or life sciences; or vocational/technical degree in agriculture, horticulture, environmental science, pest control, entomology or a closely related field.

Meat Inspector 2 - Completion of two years of college which included 12 semester/20 quarter hours in chemistry or life sciences and one year of directly related experience; or vocational/technical degree in agriculture, horticulture, environmental science, pest control, entomology or a closely related field and one year of experience in a directly related area; or two years of experience at the lower level Meat Inspector 1 (RCT090) or position equivalent.

<u>NOTE</u>: If you are applying for this position based on the college credit, please submit a copy of your college transcript with your application. This will help determine if you meet the qualifications for this position based on education. Failure to submit a transcript may result in not being eligible for this specific position if qualifying based on education.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Preference will be given to applicants, who, <u>in addition</u> to meeting the Minimum Qualifications, possess knowledge, skills and abilities in the following areas:

- State or Federal Meat Inspection or Food Inspection experience;
- Completion of a bachelor's degree from a 4 year college or university in Animal Science, Environmental Science, Biology or a close related field; and
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite.

CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT: The selected candidate must successfully complete USDA Inspection Methods training at the first available opportunity after being hired.

NOTE: THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE CONDUCTS BACKGROUND CHECKS ON ALL FINAL CANDIDATES.

HOW TO APPLY: WE ACCEPT STATE APPLICATIONS BY ANY TRANSMISSION LISTED BELOW. RESUMES MAY BE SUBMITTED IN ADDITION TO THE STATE APPLICATION.

- Mail a completed State of Georgia application to Georgia Department of Agriculture, Personnel Office, Room 300, Agriculture Building, 19 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30334; or
- Fax a completed State of Georgia application to (404) 463-8196; or
- Via Team Georgia Careers http://team.georgia.gov/careers/; or
- E-mail a completed State of Georgia application to GDAPersonnel@agr.georgia.gov.

Please reference the job title and position number when submitting paper applications. Applications received without a job title or position number will be considered unsolicited and will not be reviewed. For a copy of the State Application, please visit http://team.georgia.gov/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/State_Application-Standard-3.3.15.pdf or contact the Georgia Department of Administrative Services, Human Resource Administration at (404) 656-2705.

The GDA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law. All qualified applicants will be considered, but may not necessarily receive an interview. Due to the large volume of submissions received by this office, information concerning application and/or interview status cannot be provided. Selected applicants will be contacted for next steps in the interview process. Applicants who are not selected will not receive notification.

IF YOU NEED AN ACCOMMODATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PERSONNEL OFFICE AT (404) 656-3615.