General Statement of Duties
Performs lead work and full performance police dispatch work operating and monitoring communications equipment in response to police emergencies.

Distinguishing Characteristics
This classification is distinguished from the Police Dispatcher in that in addition to performing the duties of the Police Dispatcher it also performs lead work duties.

Guidelines, Difficulty and Decision-Making Level
Guidelines are generally numerous, well established and directly applicable to the work assignment. Work assignment and desired results are explained by general oral or written instructions.

Duties assigned are generally repetitive and restricted in scope but may be of substantial intricacy. Employee primarily applies standardized practices.

Decisions or recommendation on non-standardized situations are limited to relating organization policies to specific cases. Problems that are not covered by guidelines or are without precedent are taken up with the supervisor.

Level of Supervision Received & Quality Review
Under general supervision, the employee receives assignments and is expected to carry them through to completion with substantial independence. Work is reviewed for adherence to instructions, accuracy, completeness and conformance to standard practice or precedent. Recurring work clearly covered by guidelines may or may not be reviewed.

Interpersonal Communication & Purpose
Contacts with the persons under stress or emergency conditions where an immediate service is rendered according to established procedures or instructions.

Level of Supervision Exercised
Performs lead work.

Essential Duties
Performs dispatch work to monitor and control the movement of police patrol units and provides effective response to public safety police emergencies using a variety of computer systems and dispatch equipment.

Communicates and coordinates activity between other agencies and police officers and the dispatching of peripheral assistance such as tow trucks, transportation requests, and citizen responders.

Prioritizes and obtains pertinent data from both emergency and non-emergency contacts and uses a computer assisted system to dispatch police by transmitting information to the appropriate unit.

Maintains records of dispatch time and unit assignment.
Maintains communications and monitors the status of mobile units for the arrival at dispatched location, ascertain seriousness and exact circumstances of the police emergency, notifies police patrol supervisor as warranted, and dispatches requested information or additional assistance as needed.

Diverts units from normal patrol areas, response areas or assigned locations when necessary to maintain continuous coverage within all sectors.

Develops or modifies work plans, methods and procedures; determines work priorities and develops work schedules to provide adequate staff coverage. Provides work instruction and assists employees with difficult and/or unusual assignments. Assigns and distributes work, reviews work for accuracy and completeness and returns assignments with recommendations for proper completion.

Resolves problems encountered during daily operations and determines appropriate solutions.

Contributes to the development of the performance enhancement plan, documents performance, provides performance feedback and furnishes information for the formal performance evaluation.

Documents situations which may be cause for disciplinary action and provides this information to the supervisor.

Performs other related duties as assigned or requested.

Any one position may not include all the duties listed. However, the allocation of positions will be determined by the amount of time spent in performing the essential duties listed above.

**Competencies**

Customer Service – Works with customers to assess needs, provide assistance, resolves problems, and satisfy expectations, knows products and services, and is committed to providing quality products and services.

Decision Making – Specifies goals and obstacles to achieving those goals, generates alternatives, considers risks, and evaluates and chooses the best alternative in order to make a determination, draw conclusions, or solve a problem.

Listening – Receives, attends to, interprets, and responds to verbal messages and other cues such as body language in ways that are appropriate to listeners and situations.

Problem-Solving - Identifies problems; determines accuracy and relevance of information; uses sound judgment to generate and evaluate alternatives, and to make recommendations.

Speaking – Uses correct English grammar to organize and communicate ideas in words that are appropriate to listeners and situations, uses body language appropriately.

Working with People - Shows respect for the views and contributions of other team members. Shows empathy, listens, supports, and cares for others, and reconciles conflict

Writing - Writes in a clear, concise, organized, and convincing manner for the intended audience.

**Knowledge & Skills**

Knowledge of basic police procedures and assignments sufficient to be able to effectively prioritize dispatch units and maintain sufficient protection within all sectors.
Knowledge of normal patrol or response areas or assigned locations and Denver’s geography and street layout sufficient to be able to determine district and precinct levels to ensure continuous coverage within all sectors and to provide direction to mobile units enroute to an emergency.

Skill in determining the seriousness of an emergency and knowing when to notify appropriate authority as necessary.

Skill in utilizing a variety of computer systems and dispatching equipment.

Ability to multi-task a variety of functions, media, conversations, and other environmental factors Ability to define problems, collect data quickly and accurately, and draw solid conclusions.

### Education Requirement

Graduation from high school or the possession of a GED, HiSET or TASC Certificate.

### Experience Requirement

One (1) year of experience at the type and level of a 911 Police Dispatcher and One (1) year of computer user experience in a Microsoft Windows environment or comparable operating system.

### Education & Experience Equivalency

Additional appropriate education may be substituted for the minimum experience requirements.

### Licensure & Certification

Possession of CPR Certification before the end of academy training and successfully recertification as required by the National Academy of Emergency Medical Dispatch during employment.

Possession of EMD Certification issued by NAED before the end of academy training and successfully recertification as required by the National Academy of Emergency Medical Dispatch.

Must pass an initial pre-security clearance screening and maintain CBI (Colorado Bureau of Investigation) certification as a condition of employment. Must take and pass an online test every two years to maintain certification.

Licenses and certifications must be kept current as a condition of employment.

### Working Environment

Subject to varying and unpredictable situations.
Handles emergency or crisis situations
Subject to many interruptions.
Pressure due to multiple calls and inquiries.
Requires judgment and action in life threatening situations.
Shift work with varying days off, works holidays and weekends, subject to changing work schedule.
Work is primarily performed in a confined workspace and requires wearing a headset.
Mandatory overtime with little to no notice.

### Level of Physical Demand

1-Sedentary (0-10 lbs.)
Physical Demands

(Physical Demands are a general guide and specific positions will vary based on working conditions, locations, and agency/department needs):

- Sitting: remaining in the normal seated position.
- Standing: remaining on one’s feet in an upright position.
- Handling: seizing, holding, grasping, or otherwise working with hand(s).
- Fingering: picking, pinching, or otherwise working with fingers.
- Talking: expressing or exchanging ideas by means of spoken words.
- Hearing: perceiving the nature of sounds by the ear.
- Repetitive motions: making frequent movements with a part of the body.
- Eye/hand/foot coordination: performing work through using two or more.
- Far Acuity: ability to see clearly at 20 feet or more.
- Near Acuity: ability to see clearly at 20 inches or less.
- Accommodation: ability to adjust vision to bring objects into focus.
- Color Vision: ability to distinguish and identify different colors.
- Lifting: raising or lowering objects weighing no more than 10 pounds, from one level to another.

Background Check Requirement

- Criminal Check
- Employment Verification

Assessment Requirement

- Alphanumeric Data Entry, ECOMM

Probation Period

- Six (6) months.

Class Detail

- Pay Grade: N-621
- FLSA Code: N
- Management Level: 8
- Established Date: 9/21/2018
- Established By: Lori Schumann
- Revised Date: 5/24/19
- Revised By: Ryland Feno
- Class History: Updated assessment requirement.