

# NOW HIRING:

## *Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator*



**The City of Ithaca is now accepting applications for the position  
of Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator.**

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**Location:** City of Ithaca, NY  
**Department:** Wastewater Treatment Plant  
**Classification:** Competitive  
**FLSA Status:** Exempt  
**Bargaining Unit:** Executive Unit  
**Salary:** \$83,480 - \$100,176

The City of Ithaca, a top Finger Lakes Area employer, is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator. This position serves the Wastewater Treatment Plant and reports directly to the Assistant Superintendent of Public Works – Water and Sewer Division.

**Position Description:** This is the chief administrative, supervisory and technical position of the Ithaca Area Wastewater Treatment Facility, which is a Type 4-A Wastewater Treatment Plant with facilities for the activated sludge process (including all modifications) with a plant point score of 76 points or greater. The incumbent supervises and directs the operation and maintenance of the Ithaca Area Wastewater Treatment Facility (IAWWTF) in a manner which meets or exceeds all environmental regulatory compliance standards and ensures an efficient and economical use of personnel, resources, energy, equipment, materials and supplies. In addition to supervising daily operational activities, the incumbent also oversees the administration of specialized programs, including industrial pretreatment, trucked waste, sludge disposal, head works loading analyses, chemical bulk storage, petroleum bulk storage, and anaerobic digestion. The work is performed under the general supervision of the Assistant Superintendent of Public Works (Water and Sewer), with wide leeway allowed for planning work methods and dealing with emergency conditions. Supervision is exercised over operators, trainees, laboratory personnel and mechanical and maintenance assistants. The Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator must possess the required certificate for a Type 4-A plant which he or she supervises in accordance with the provisions of Part 650 of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regulations. Does related work as required.

To view the complete job description, visit [Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator job description.docx](#):

**Minimum Qualifications:** Possession of a Grade 4-A certificate issued under the provisions of Part 650 of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regulations at the time of appointment, and maintenance of said certificate for the duration of employment and five (5) years of full-time paid supervisory experience in a Type 4-A activated sludge Wastewater Treatment Plant, or its part-time paid equivalent.

**Special Requirements:** Possession of a valid driver license appropriate to the vehicles or equipment operated. Said license must be maintained for the duration of employment.

**Appointment Status and Exam Requirement:** This will be a provisional appointment pending the results of a civil service examination to be scheduled at a later date. Permanent appointment will be dependent upon the candidate's exam score.

**Residency Requirements:** There are no residency requirements for this position.

**Benefits:** Refer to the [Fringe Benefits](#) webpage and [Executive bargaining unit](#).

### **Supplemental Information:**

- Computers are available for use by appointment. To schedule an appointment, contact the Department of Human Resources/Civil Service at (607) 274-6539 or by email to [hr@cityofithaca.org](mailto:hr@cityofithaca.org).
- The City of Ithaca values diverse perspectives and life experiences. We encourage people of all backgrounds to apply, including people of color, women, LGBTQ+, veterans, people with disabilities, and those with lived experiences.
- The City of Ithaca is committed to the full inclusion of all qualified individuals. Consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the NYS Division of Human Rights (NYS DHR) it is the policy of the City to provide reasonable accommodation when requested without causing an undue hardship. If accommodation is needed, please call (607) 274 6539 or by email to [hr@cityofithaca.org](mailto:hr@cityofithaca.org).

### **Application Materials Required:**

- City of Ithaca application
- Copy of high school and college transcripts
- Copy of Driver License
- Copy of Grade 4A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator certificate

Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Submit required application materials to:

**Web site:** <https://ithaca-portal.mycivilservice.com>

**Attn:** City of Ithaca

**Human Resources Department**

All applications must be submitted electronically through our online application program. We do not accept paper applications, faxed applications, e-mailed applications or photocopies of applications.

**Ithaca is Gorges! We would love to have you on our team!**



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