



WORKING FOR THE GREAT OUTDOORS



Law Enforcement Officer

If you are looking for a challenging career in natural resource law enforcement, the Forest Service may be of interest to you. Our Law Enforcement and Investigations (LEI) staff is charged with protecting the public, employees, and natural resources across 193 million acres of National Forest System lands – from Alaska to Puerto Rico and throughout the continental United States.

The Work Environment

Uniformed law enforcement officers enforce Federal laws and regulations governing National Forest System lands and resources. They establish a regular and recurring presence on vast amounts of public lands, roads and campgrounds, taking appropriate action when illegal activity is discovered.

Operating on the Job

As a Law Enforcement Officer, you perform a variety of exciting duties, such as:

- Working cooperatively with Federal, State, and local law enforcement officials
- Conducting informational and educational programs
- Enforcing drug control laws
- Assisting State and local agencies with conducting search and rescue missions on National Forest System lands
- Assisting special agents by conducting preliminary investigations
- Responding to unplanned incidents such as environmental protests, threats to employees, and large group events

Basic Qualification Requirements

To qualify at the Federal GS-5 grade level, you need either 1 year of directly related experience equivalent to the Federal GS-4 grade level, or have successfully completed a full 4 year course of study in *any* field leading to a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university. One full year of full-time undergraduate study is defined as 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours. As a general rule,

graduate education is not creditable to qualify at a level above the GS-5 level, but graduate education may be creditable if the graduate education is directly related to the work of the position.



These qualification requirements have been summarized for convenience. Full details are available at www.USAjobs.gov or the www.opm.gov subject index under "Qualifications."

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