



Job Situation

Environmental officers work indoors and outdoors, sometimes in extreme weather conditions or rough terrain. Travel is required, sometimes by unusual modes of transport such as canoe, snowmobile or horseback.

Weekly Hours of Work

37.5

Overtime

0

Monthly Salary

\$4,000

Student Loan – Owing

0

Student Loan – Monthly Payment

0

Duties

Monitor and manage resources. Supervise conservation methods. Prepare reports and budgets. Conduct public outreach activities. Supervise construction of facilities

Prospects

Municipal/provincial/federal governments. Large companies and organizations. Waste Management companies

Job Title

Environmental Officer

National Occupational Classification (NOC)

2263

Job Description

The government has a standard for every company to integrate environmental responsibilities into their daily business operations. You are there to enforce that standard and to help companies become more environmentally friendly. It is your job to inspect a certain site and then write a report on your findings; your ability to crunch numbers and write a good detailed report really helps you do your job well.

Your day starts early enough where you make yourself a coffee and then head on down to the basement where your home office is. A definite perk of this job is working from home. You check your messages and answer emails before you start anything else. You review a report that your colleague has sent you from a different site that you both worked on. Then you look through that site's records to make sure everything is matching up.

Next you head off to the site you have to assess. Your job can take you anywhere from industrial sites to institutions. It all depends on where the company you work for wants you to go. You arrive on site with the necessary equipment needed for you to do your job correctly as well as safely. When you first arrive you assess the whole area and gather the evidence that you need. Then ask the company manager to accompany you to see the production operations and observe their management strategies. Next up is an interview with the workers.

An assessment can take a long time but it is necessary to help keep the environment as healthy as possible. You go back to the office and write your report. You state what needs to be changed and what the company is doing well. You even throw in some advice on how to make changes. By the time you are done you are tired and happy knowing you are helping to make everything just a little greener.