

# District Supervisor

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Network as much as you can.
You may not always have the answer, but you
usually know someone who does.

### What does a typical day look like in this role?

I supervise staff that oversee Type I drinking water systems.

## What are the most rewarding aspects of this career?

Assisting water systems and staff with challenges and questions.

## What are the most challenging aspects of this career?

Addressing compliance issues with water systems.

## What are the common entry-level positions?

District Engineers and Environmental Quality Analysts

## Are there alternative pathways or specializations with this career?

Individuals from outside State government can move into various positions based on experience.

#### **Educational Requirements**

What level of education is typically required?

College degree

### Are there specific fields of study that are most relevant?

Biology, Chemistry, Engineering

### Are advanced degrees or certifications preferred or required?

No, but experience in the industry/field are.

#### What is the typical work setting?

Office/remote and field all included.

### What are the usual work hours and conditions?

Typical work week hours with some afterhours/weekends if emergencies need to be addressed

#### What technical skills are required

Knowledge of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and other regulations, industry standards, and other guidance materials.

#### What soft skills are required

Communication, Supervisory Experience, Problem-Solving, Negotiations, Relationship Building