

Position	Aquarist
Facility	Indianapolis Zoo
Location	Indianapolis, IN
Job Summary	As part of the Oceans team, this Aquarist position requires strong interpersonal communication skills, a team-oriented philosophy, and demonstrated commitment to long-term goals of the Indianapolis Zoo. Experience working with marine fish, invertebrates, water quality, and animal training is preferred. The successful candidate must display a professional attitude and appearance to both visitors and co-workers. Must be temperamentally suited to work with aquatic animals and have good observational skills. Aquarist perform manual work, which is at times physically demanding and strenuous, involving the care and maintenance of the animals and exhibits under his/her care. Must be able to lift 50 pounds frequently. Directly responsible for the health and well being of the collections assigned to his/her care.
Essential Functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow all safety Policies and Procedures of the Indianapolis Zoo • Professional work experience in animal training, care, and conservation preferred, not required. • Completing Area daily and weekly reports • Knowledge of water quality pertaining to marine fish and invertebrates is preferred. • Willingness and ability to work outdoors in all weather conditions and temperatures. • Will be required to know and implement species quarantine procedures as directed by Area Manager. • Must be able to participate in and develop area chats, feeds and behind the scene tours. • Proven public speaking and presentation skills • Assist with research projects. • Assists with exhibit modifications.
Other Duties and Responsibilities	
Knowledge, Skills and Abilities	
Education & Experienced Required	Experience: Professional work experience in animal training/ care/ conservation preferred, but not required. Must have strong observational skills. Will be required to work mandatory overtime, weekends and holidays. Education: Bachelor degree from an accredited college/university in life sciences is required.
Licenses and Certifications Required	Applicants must also have SCUBA certification or be able to acquire within six months of hire.
Physical Requirements	Aquarist perform manual work, which is at times physically demanding and strenuous, involving the care and maintenance of the animals and exhibits under his/her care. Must be able to lift 50 pounds frequently. Directly responsible for the health and well being of the collections assigned to his/her care. Successfully passing pre-employment testing, including drug tests and criminal history checks is a condition of employment.
Working Conditions	
Salary	Compensation is commensurate with experience. The Zoo offers a competitive compensation and benefits package, including medical, dental, vision and life insurance; 403B plan; paid holidays and a liberal paid time off package.

Respond To	Interested candidates must complete an on-line application at the Indianapolis Zoo's website: https://www.indianapoliszoo.com/jobs-volunteer/available-positions/ ONLY ON-LINE APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED. Faxed, mailed, and delivered resumes will not be considered. PLEASE, NO PHONE CALLS. In the "Position Desired" section of the application, please enter "Aquarist". Cover letters and resumes should be attached. Please indicate your salary requirements. Please complete the application thoroughly. To help ensure receipt of your online application, we recommend applicants use a computer running Windows XP or higher, with at least Internet Explorer 8, Google Chrome, or Safari. The Indianapolis Zoo is a Child Safe/ Smoke-Free/ Drug-Free/ EOE Workplace.
Closing date	11/08/2019

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