Application for Sea Grant Watercraft Inspector – 2015

Description of Work
Watercraft inspectors travel to boat ramps in the surrounding area to teach anglers and boaters how to prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species. Work occurs with minimal supervision and involves working with the public on a one-on-one basis. In addition to conversing with boaters, watercraft inspectors issue informational brochures and other educational materials. Work occurs on weekdays and weekends. The watercraft inspector is responsible for accurately completing daily data sheets and submitting the sheets monthly for review and compilation. Inspectors provide their own transportation.

Wisconsin Sea Grant Advisory Services hires inspectors to work from late May to late August or early September. Inspectors work three weekends a month and on holidays. Work occurs on Friday afternoon and all day on Saturday and Sunday for a total of about 20hrs per week. Inspections take place at boat landings and involve dissemination of information to anglers and recreational boaters (i.e. watch cards, pamphlets, brochures) so they are made aware of what the various invasive species look like and what precautions they should take to avoid spreading them. The effort will also involve visual inspection of boats to make sure they are clean and instructing boaters on how to properly clean their boats, trailers and boating equipment.

Inspectors must submit completed data sheets to the Manitowoc office on a monthly basis. All inspectors will be required to participate in a training session in May and periodic conference calls during to ensure consistency in boat inspections, cleaning procedures and reporting out on the data.

Lake Michigan
Inspections will occur at boat landings on Lake Michigan, Green Bay and the Fox River and inland lakes as needed. Six inspectors will be hired to work at Lake Michigan area ramps, including at least one in the Milwaukee area.

Lake Superior (Positions contingent on funding)
Inspections will occur at boat landings on Lake Superior, the Gile Flowage and inland lakes as needed. Three inspectors will be hired to work at Lake Superior area ramps.

Hours and Pay Rate
20 hours/week. Watercraft Inspectors are paid $10.00 - $12.00 / hr for time at the ramp and the current state mileage rate ($0.51 / mile) for distance traveled to and from the ramps or rental car provided. Time sheets are submitted every two weeks. Travel reimbursement report submitted every month.

To Apply
Contact Titus Seilheimer: tseilheimer@aqua.wisc.edu; 920-683-4697; UW-Manitowoc F103.
Deadline: Until filled
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Name ________________________________________________

Address for summer _____________________________________

Email ___________________________ Phone ________________

Why do you want to be a Sea Grant watercraft inspector?
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When are you available to start? ______________________________

What is the last date you will be able to work? ________________

Do you have reliable transportation? ________________________ (Access to vehicle is required)

As a Sea Grant Watercraft Inspector you are expected to:

• Abide by the work schedule
• Pre-arrange time off
• Inform the Sea Grant coordinator when you are ill or unable to work
• Submit biweekly time sheets promptly
• Submit travel vouchers monthly
• Complete the data sheets accurately, completely and truthfully
• Turn in completed data sheets at least monthly
• Return data sheets and unused supplies within 10 days after you finish working

Failure to comply with the requirements listed above may result in delay of paycheck or reimbursement for travel and mileage or termination of employment.

Please provide the name and contact information (phone and email) for two references:

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Please Indicate:

Cumulative GPA: Undergrad _______ Grad _______

Size Rain Suit (Men’s) _________ Polo Shirt _________