

ODNR Division of Wildlife

Natural Resource Technician 1

Lake Erie Creel and Field Technicians

Pay Rate \$18.63/hr.



The ODNR Division of Wildlife is looking for applicants to collect angler harvest information from various locations along the Lake Erie shoreline and assist with Lake Erie fisheries assessment and research projects. These data are vital to the management of the Lake Erie fishery. We are seeking motivated individuals that excel at working independently and in groups, are organized, and have strong inter-personal skills. Preference will be given to applicants that have completed a B.S. or B.A. in Fisheries, Natural Resources, or related field.

Applicant must be:

- A minimum of 18 years old
- A holder of a valid driver's license

Additionally, creel technicians should be:

- Able to use a personal vehicle during the creel survey (mileage reimbursed)
- Able to manage and organize interview data
- Able to use provided electronic devices for data collection/entry

<u>Creel Clerk Duties:</u> Interview anglers at boat ramps, marinas and access points along a predetermined route and schedule; collect data from anglers on their fishing location, length of trip, species caught/kept/released; collect lengths from harvested fish; collect interview data using electronic or paper survey forms; retain records and samples in a neat and secure manner until delivered to supervisor.

<u>Field Technician Duties:</u> Assist with fisheries fieldwork (bottom trawling, gill netting, electrofishing, etc.) aboard Lake Erie research vessels; collect and process samples from harvested fish, including length, weight, sex, maturity, and diets; record data in the lab and in the field; examine sport and commercial harvest for tags; collect age/length data from angler-caught fish; age fish by otoliths; perform water quality, benthic, habitat and hydroacoustic sampling; assist with fisheries research projects and AIS removal efforts; assist with facility/vessel maintenance.

Work Hours: 40 Hours/Week (will include weekends); 1000 hrs. maximum duration. **Wage:** \$18.63/hour; creel technician mileage reimbursement (currently \$.58/mile).

Positions Available:

March – April (1 position):

- Sandusky/ Maumee Rivers

April (1 position):

- Toledo to Port Clinton

May – October (10 positions):

- Sandusky 2 Field Technicians
- Fairport Harbor 2 Field Technicians
- Area 1: Toledo to Port Clinton;
- Area 2: Port Clinton to Marblehead;
- Area 3: Marblehead to Sandusky;
- Area 4: Huron to Avon;
- Area 5: Rocky River to Eastlake;
- Area 6: Fairport Harbor to Conneaut;

To apply, please send an email with resume to:

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