



City of Woodland

TREE TRIMMER I/II

DEFINITION

To perform a variety of semi-skilled and skilled work involving the trimming, removal, installation and general maintenance of trees.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

General supervision is provided by the Senior Tree Trimmer or his/her designee. For the Tree Trimmer II position, assignments may require lead responsibilities over less experienced personnel and/or temporary workers as assigned.

Tree Trimmer I:

This is the entry level class in the Tree Trimmer series. Positions in this class will usually perform most of the duties required of Tree Trimmers I and II; however, as compared to the Tree Trimmer II, is not expected to function at the same skill level and will usually exercise less independent discretion and judgment on matters related to work procedures and methods.

Tree Trimmer II:

This is the journey level class in the Tree Trimmer series. This class differs from Tree Trimmer I in that incumbents perform more complex duties. This incumbent Tree Trimmer II may also be expected to assist in the oversight and training of less experienced personnel.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

The following are typical illustrations of duties encompassed by the job class, not an all inclusive or limiting list:

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Prune trees and shrubbery to provide clearance of streets, sidewalks, signs, and lights, and as necessary to ensure continued health of the plant. Remove fallen trees, dead limbs, and other debris resulting from storm damage and general conditions. Participate in the large scale application of herbicides and pesticides. Clean and maintain trimming equipment. Work both independently and as a crew member in removing trees and stumps. Plant, stake, spray and inject trees. Operate a chipper, aerial truck, mist sprayer and miscellaneous equipment which could include routers, loaders, forklifts, and dump trucks. Use a variety of hand tools including hand saws, pole saws, chain saws, and pole loppers. Regular and consistent attendance.

OTHER JOB FUNCTIONS

May perform street drainage maintenance or other public works maintenance work when not assigned to tree trimming duties. Respond to emergency situations after regular working hours. Perform related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

Tree Trimmer I:

Knowledge of:

Basic methods, tools, materials and equipment used in the trimming and removal of trees. Tree planting and maintenance methods. Safe work practices.

Skill to:

Perform semi-skilled tree maintenance work. Work safely and efficiently in trees of all sizes. Use hand and power tools skillfully and safely. Perform heavy manual labor. Check and recognize defects in tree trimming equipment. Understand and carry out both written and oral directions.

Ability to:

Collect and enter data in an electronic format. Establish and maintain effective work relationships with those contacted in the performance of required duties.

Minimum Education and Experience:

Education:

High School diploma or equivalent.

Experience:

Six months of work experience involving tree maintenance or landscaping work including some tree trimming.

License and Certificate:

Required upon hire, possession of a valid California driver's license. Must obtain a valid Class B California driver's license, Work Zone Safety I certificate from the International Municipal Signal Association, First Aid and CPR certification prior to permanent appointment.

Tree Trimmer II:

In addition to the qualifications for Tree Trimmer I:

Knowledge of:

Materials, equipment, and methods used in the trimming and removal of trees. Tree planting and maintenance methods. Tree diseases and pests and proper methods for their eradication. Safe work practices.

Skill to:

Perform semi-skilled and skilled tree maintenance work. Work safely and efficiently in trees of all sizes. Use hand and power tools skillfully and safely. Perform heavy manual labor. Check and recognize defects in tree trimming equipment. Work independently in the absence of supervision. Assist in the supervision and training of less experienced personnel. Understand and carry out both written and oral directions.

Ability to:

Collect and enter data in an electronic format. Establish and maintain effective work relationships with those contacted in the performance of required duties.

Minimum Education and Experience:

Education:

High School diploma or equivalent.

Experience:

Eighteen months of work experience involving tree maintenance work including pruning, trimming and caring for trees.

License and Certificate:

Required upon hire, possession of a valid Class B California Driver's License. Possession of a Work Zone Safety I certificate from the International Municipal Signal Association, First Aid and CPR certification prior to permanent appointment. Possession of a Certified Commercial Applicator license from the State of California and Certification as an Arborist by the International Society of Arboriculture is highly desirable.

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