

GROUNDSKEEPER II

DEFINITION

Under general supervision to independently perform or to lead other workers in the performance of a variety of gardening and general facility and grounds maintenance work; to operate a variety of power grounds equipment including larger, more complex equipment; to consult with other District staff to determine work to be done; and to perform other job related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Independently performs and oversees the work of small crews responsible for trimming, planting, transplanting, irrigating, cultivating and maintaining trees, shrubs, flowers and turf; plants, weeds and maintains bedded shrubs and flowers; operates and performs minor maintenance to sprinkler systems; uses a wide variety of hand and power tools and equipment; mows, edges, lines and maintains grass, athletic fields and turf areas, using hand operated and power operated equipment; operates trucks and trailers to transport equipment; performs work involving preparation and maintenance of athletic fields and equipment; rakes, gathers, loads and hauls leaves and refuse; insures that ground areas have a clean and neat appearance; applies herbicides, pesticides and fertilizers as directed; polices areas for trash; may assist in the performance of a variety of general building maintenance duties; assists in tree trimming and planting activities; assists in forming, pouring and finishing concrete; assists in road, sidewalk and parking area repair and maintenance projects; may direct the work of assigned helpers; operates a variety of District vehicles and power grounds equipment; installs and repairs fences; maintains basic records of materials used and work performed; hauls refuse and debris; sweeps sand and debris from patios, slabs, walks and related areas; paints and repairs athletic and physical education equipment; drags and lines athletic fields; performs routine maintenance to assigned tools and equipment; performs a variety of seasonal duties.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of the category of valid California driver's license required to meet performance requirements of the position as determined by the State Department of Motor Vehicles rules.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Basic tools, materials, equipment and procedures used in gardening, grounds, tree trimming and general maintenance work;
- Operation of a variety of grounds power equipment;
- Basic principles of propagating and maintaining trees, shrubs, flowers and turf;
- Safe use of chemicals in weed and pest control;
- Safe work practices.

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Methods and techniques utilized in leading the work of small work crews.

Ability to:

Skillfully and safely use tools and operate power equipment utilized in gardening and grounds maintenance work.

Plant, transplant, propagate and maintain trees, shrubs, flowers and turf;

Perform a variety of general maintenance work;

Repair and maintain tools and equipment;

Perform heavy manual labor;

Read and write at the level required for successful job performance;

Follow oral and written directions;

Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships with others.

Training and Experience:

Any combination of training and experience, which would likely provide the required knowledges and abilities, is qualifying. A typical way to obtain these knowledges and abilities would be:

One year of experience in grounds maintenance or gardening work preferably including landscaping and maintenance of schools, athletic fields, parks, golf courses or other comparable work.