

PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER I,II

DEFINITION

The Parks Maintenance Worker series describes two levels of positions which, under general supervision, maintain cultivated public areas and construct/repair park facilities; performs related duties as required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

Park Maintenance Worker I- This is the entry level class in which incumbents learn park maintenance tasks or may performs primarily custodial work; generally works under more supervision than the higher levels.

Parks Maintenance Worker II- This is the full working level in park maintenance with primary responsibility for grounds caretaking, incumbents in this level may perform facility maintenance tasks in addition to their grounds work.

REPRESENTATIVE DUTIES

The duties listed below are examples of the work typically performed by the employee of this class. Not all assigned duties may be listed. Marginal duties are those which are non-essential job functions for this class.

1. Uses power and hand tools; seeds, plants, mows, edges, sprays, and weeds park grounds, flowerbeds, golf course fairways/greens, and other landscaped areas; prepares areas for planting by clearing, grading, fertilizing, and watering ground; prepares areas by rototilling, weed oiling, laying plastic; lays rocks; aerates and dresses golf greens.
2. Cleans walks, parking areas, and other areas of leaves and debris; digs trenches to sign or fence post holes; dumps trash cans; cleans rest rooms; may perform or assist in routine or preventive maintenance in park and other City facilities.
3. Plants, trims, prunes and removes trees and shrubs.
4. Operates riding mowers, rototillers, blowers, edgers, fork/air lifts, chippers, tractor, and other equipment or vehicles; makes minor repairs such as sharpening blades; performs routine vehicle and equipment maintenance and safety inspections.
5. Performs routine maintenance in park facilities and grounds; may make carpentry and minor electrical repairs, replace sprinkler heads, or make adjustments to irrigation system; marks and otherwise prepares athletic fields and recreation areas.
6. Assists in special projects such as park construction, repairing playground equipment, potholes, sidewalks, periodic painting, air conditioning system maintenance, installing sprinkler systems, applying repellents, herbicides, and unrestricted pesticides, moving furniture, equipment set-up, and other physical arrangements.
7. Provides temporary and vacation relief in similar occupational fields as necessary.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

Education and/or Experience

Park Maintenance Worker I - One year of experience performing routine grounds maintenance or custodial work or any combination of training and experience that provides the desired knowledge and abilities.

Park Maintenance Worker II - One year of experience in gardening or grounds maintenance that included using commercial mowers, sprinkler repair or skilled tree trimming experience or any combination of training and experience that provides the desired knowledge and abilities.

Knowledge of:

Both Classes - Grounds maintenance methods and techniques; plants, flowers, and shrubs; operation and maintenance of tools and equipment used in grounds maintenance;

Parks Maintenance Worker II - Herbicides, pesticides and fertilizers; equipment used in facility maintenance.

Ability to:

Both Classes - Learn and apply grounds keeping and park maintenance techniques and methods; operate power tools and equipment; make minor repairs to equipment; follow verbal instructions; establish and maintain cooperative working relationships; work safely and efficiently.

Park maintenance Worker II - Operates gang mowers; trim trees; repair park facilities.

Special Requirements

Possession of, or ability to obtain a valid California Driver's License may be required, depending on assignment for Park Maintenance Worker I and Park Maintenance Worker II.

Possession of a Pesticide Applicator Certification may be required.

Physical Demands

Strenuous physical work. Physical demands include frequent lifting of objects over 50 lbs. often combines with bending, twisting, working above ground and/or on irregular surfaces.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Continuous exposure to unpleasant elements such as dust, fumes, odors, dampness, high noise levels, or outside weather conditions.

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