



## CLASS SPECIFICATION

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FLSA: non-exempt  
Probation: 6 months

### MAINTENANCE WORKER - PARKS

#### **DEFINITION**

Under supervision, performs a variety of semiskilled and skilled maintenance in County parks, including landscaped areas, sports facilities and open space; and performs related work as required.

#### **EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS**

One year of previous full-time experience in performing basic maintenance work in a park, landscaping or related environment including irrigation, plant care, chemical application and/or grounds maintenance equipment use; OR an equivalent combination of education and experience.

#### **LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE**

Possession of a valid driver's license is required at the time of appointment.

Certification as a pesticide applicator must be obtained from the Department of Agriculture within six months of date of appointment. Continued employment is contingent upon maintaining valid certification.

#### **SUPERVISION EXERCISED**

Exercises no supervision; may provide direction and training for seasonal maintenance staff.

**EXAMPLES OF DUTIES** *(The following is used as a partial description and is not restrictive as to duties required.)*

Install, repair and maintain irrigation systems including drip systems and sprinkler systems.

Participate in the cultivation and maintenance of ornamental planting and the development of new landscaped areas; transplant and cultivate plants and flowers.

Clean and maintain facilities, restrooms and picnic shelters; check and replenish tissue, towels and soap; gather and remove garbage and litter from grounds and facilities.

Maintain turf, lawn and landscaped areas including mowing, edging, trimming, fertilizing and pest control; maintain landscape vegetation in assigned area including appropriate pesticide application according to federal and state laws and protocols.

Operate the full range of light and heavy maintenance and grounds equipment including tractors, bobcats, dump trucks, mini-excavators, forklifts, riding lawn mowers and snow removal equipment.

Perform landscape and light construction and improvement work such as building forms, pouring and finishing concrete, and installing and repairing fence

Respond to public inquiries in a courteous manner; provide information within the area of assignment; resolve complaints in an efficient and timely manner.

## **JOB RELATED AND ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS**

**Full Performance** *(These may be acquired on the job and are needed to perform the work assigned.)*

### **Knowledge of:**

Department policies and procedures.

Tools, equipment, methods and procedures used in an assigned work area.

Pesticide spray equipment operations and trouble shooting.

Common turf and ornamental plant pests and disease disorders.

Centrally controlled irrigation systems operations, concepts and ET irrigation practices.

Conventional and VFD (variable frequency drive) pump station operations and concepts.

Irrigation principles including sprinklers, valves, and drip systems.

### **Ability to:**

Independently perform assignments related to a specific work area.

Correctly interpret pesticide labels and calculate proper chemical rates to achieve desired pest control goals.

Develop and administer weed control programs without need of supervision.

Calibrate and operate equipment commonly used in the application of pesticides and fertilizers.

Perform basic irrigation pump station maintenance procedures as well as trouble shoot issues.

Troubleshoot irrigation field controller operations, including electrical wiring/solenoid issues and electric/hydraulic valve operations.

Operate full range of light and heavy maintenance equipment with proficiency.

Effectively handle public inquiries; communicate in a polite manner, provide information and resolve complaints.

**Entry Level** *(Applicants will be screened for possession of these through written, oral, performance, or other evaluation methods.)*

### **Knowledge of:**

Basic park maintenance work including irrigation, plant care, chemical application and grounds maintenance equipment.

Operation of standard hand and power tools.

Safety principles and practices related to the use of assigned equipment.

### **Ability to:**

Communicate clearly and concisely, both in writing and orally.

Use a variety of tools and equipment.

Understand and follow specific oral instructions.

Perform manual labor for extended periods of time.

Establish and maintain effective and cooperative working relationships with all those contacted in the course of work.

Use a personal computer and a variety of software packages including word processing.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS** *(Essential duties require the following physical skills and work environment.)*

Ability to stand and walk for extended periods. Ability to frequently stoop, bend and kneel. Ability to lift and move objects weighing up to 75 lbs. Ability to perform sustained and vigorous activities in a variety of environments, temperatures, and weather conditions. Exposure to dust, dirt, grease and construction materials.

*This class specification is used for classification, recruitment and examination purposes. It is not to be considered a substitute for work performance standards.*