

TREE TRIMMER

PURPOSE AND NATURE OF WORK

This is work cutting or trimming trees in the public right-of-way adjacent to and overhanging streets and sidewalks. Work requires performance of tasks from a bucket truck to reach limbs and branches to be trimmed. Safety awareness is also required to prevent damage to people and private property. Work is performed under the supervision of a Tree Trimming Supervisor.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK (Note: These examples are intended only to illustrate the various types of work performed by incumbents in this class. All of the duties performed by any one incumbent may not be listed, nor does any incumbent necessarily perform all of these duties.)

Cuts and removes trees, branches, and other types of vegetation along streets, intersections, sidewalks, etc. Clears and removes debris from property after trimming or cutting trees. Performs minor repairs to property damaged or removed in the course of trimming or cutting trees. Operates a bucket truck, chipper, chainsaws, and/or other equipment in the course of trimming or cutting trees.

Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

Knowledge of the methods, procedures, tools, and equipment used in tree trimming (example: a bucket truck, chipper, and chainsaws).

Knowledge of the hazards involved and the safety precautions necessary in tree trimming.

Ability to prune and shape trees without damaging and ruining their symmetry and appearance.

Ability to identify high-voltage lines and other power lines.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with superiors and other employees.

Skill in the use of tools and equipment used in tree trimming.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from high school and experience in tree trimming work; or any equivalent combination of training and experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of the appropriate class commercial driver's license as issued by the State of Louisiana within six months after date of hire.