
**TEMPLE CITY
CLASS SPECIFICATIONS**

PARK MAINTENANCE LEAD WORKER

DEFINITION:

Under supervision, provides comprehensive care for trees, shrubs, flowers and lawns. Performs various skilled and semiskilled tasks requiring knowledge of tree maintenance practices, turf management, ornamental plant care and application of contemporary landscape technology. Also performs general maintenance duties regarding the care of parks, grounds and public facilities, including other related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

Prunes and fertilizes ornamental trees. Provides advanced care for shrubs, flowers and lawns, including planting, pruning, cultivating, fertilizing and irrigating. Identifies and controls diseases and pests common to trees, shrubs, flowers and lawns. Assists with the application of pesticides and herbicides and implementation of turf management programs. Occasionally required to perform minor plumbing, electrical and carpentry work, including periodic janitorial services. Responsible for the use, operation and maintenance of vehicles, tools and equipment commonly used in landscape and facility maintenance.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge of: Specific care and maintenance requirements regarding trees, shrubs, flowers and lawns commonly used in contemporary landscaping. Practical knowledge and experience regarding the materials, equipment and methods used in grounds and facilities maintenance.

Ability to: Identify and control diseases and pests common to trees, shrubs, flowers and lawns. Must be able to follow written and verbal instructions and work effectively with fellow employees. Must have the physical capability to perform heavy manual labor.

Education and Experience: Combination of training and experience equivalent to the completion of high school and a minimum of two years experience in contemporary landscape and facility maintenance. Completion of a certified training course in Horticulture or Landscape Gardening may be substituted for six months of the required experience.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:

Possession of a valid Class C motor vehicle operator's license from the State of California.

Ability to operate tools and equipment such as a lawnmower, hedge trimmer, chain saw, chipper, backhoe, tractor, and lift gate truck used in the maintenance of parks, medians and grounds.

Ability to operate a telephone and portable radio.

Ability to understand and respond to the public and staff's requests for assistance.

Ability to sit, stand, stoop or bend for up to two hours at a time.

Ability to lift up to 45 pounds.

Ability to get from one location to another in the course of doing business.

Ability to see and hear.