

JOB TITLE: Directional Drill Operator

OVERVIEW

The Directional Drill Operator is a skilled position, requiring the operation of equipment including, but not limited to; all types of Directional Drills, (Vermeer and/or Ditch Witch) and locators, various types of Trucks, Excavators, Forklifts, etc.

The ideal candidate should have a working knowledge of underground construction for the telecom industry, especially the ability to interpret drawings, use cable placement equipment and tools, and the ability to identify and troubleshoot problems.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Prepare job and drill so that the shot can be performed safely
- Prior to bore shot, survey to ensure all utilities have been located, develop a plan for going above or below to avoid striking any utilities or obstacles.
- Locate/Operate, trench, place duct, pull cable, and direct bury main-line and drops
- Pothole all utilities that will either be paralleled or crossed during the bore shot
- Safely prepare and load chemicals for boring
- Work with locator to direct the drill head from entry to pit, avoiding utilities while exiting at the correct depth
- Inspect and maintain equipment
- Work with crews and inspectors
- Work in all kinds of outdoor working conditions

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Ability to operate and maintain drill and hydraulic equipment, i.e., mini-excavator, ditch witch JT20/20
- A valid driver's license (CDL A Preferred) with no major violations
- Identify colored utility markings and correctly establish shot-lines
- Management level ability to communicate, delegate and execute daily goals with drill team
- Operate job site equipment and document and report data from the field to the Project Manager and Construction Supervisor

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- 3 years' experience operating a directional drill and locator
- 3 years leading an underground crew
- 5+ years' experience in Outside Plant Construction (OSP)
- OSHA 10/13 Certification
- Class A CDL



EDUCATION

- High School diploma or equivalent
- Military experience a plus
- Strong work ethic and desire to be a leader
- Effective communication skills and a positive attitude

WORK ENVIRONMENT

This job operates in a field environment. This role routinely requires extended periods of bending, squatting, climbing, kneeling, pushing, pulling, lifting, lifting in awkward positions, standing, and twisting. Also, working in inclement weather conditions, such as extreme heat, extreme cold, rain, ice, snow, and wind. The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of the job.

This position is physically active, with lifting required. Must be able to bend and lift and carry up to 50 pounds. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly exposed to outside weather conditions. The employee is frequently exposed to wet and/or humid conditions; moving mechanical parts; high, precarious places; and fumes or airborne particles. The employee is occasionally exposed to toxic or caustic chemicals and risk of electrical shock. The noise level in the work environment is usually very loud.

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