

TREE TRIMMER/ GROUNDMAN

FUNCTION:

Perform groundman tasks associated with the ongoing vegetation management activities for municipal electrical utilities.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIP:

• Works under direct supervision of lead tree trimmer

DUTIES:

- Maintain a bucket truck, chipper and all department issued equipment to a level deemed satisfactory by a supervisor. Make sure trucks are properly cleaned and ready for operation.
- Set up and breakdown of roadside work zones.
- Clear vegetation by pruning, trimming, repairing, maintaining, or clearing of trees or cutting the brush that is within 10 feet of energized power lines or any other area deemed necessary.
- Demonstrate the ability to correctly use chain saws, brush clippers, sprayers, stump cutters, backpack power cutters, climbing ropes and/or safety saddles.
- Demonstrates the ability to support the Department with after-hours trouble calls and scheduled overtime.
- Must interface and communicate with all company personnel, the public, and governmental personnel in a respectful, polite, professional, and courteous manner.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Possess good reading and math skills, mechanical aptitude, and ability to work safely with others.
- Must be able to properly use personal safety equipment necessary to perform duties associated with line clearance near a high voltage distribution system (Protective chaps, hardhat, safety glasses, FR clothing, hearing protection, etc.).
- Valid Class D Massachusetts driving license or equivalent.

- Must have the ability to perform moderately heavy physical work. Also work outdoors in all seasons, and at times for extended periods.
- Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.
- Must successfully complete an Electrical Hazard Awareness Program (EHAP)