
**TEMPLE CITY
CLASS SPECIFICATIONS**

TREE TRIMMER

DEFINITION:

Under direct supervision, utilizing standard tree maintenance equipment and methodology, climbs, trims, plants and removes City trees and performs other related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

Operates and maintains various equipment commonly used in tree maintenance operations such as power chain saws, cavity instruments, hydraulic lifts, sprayers, and other related hand tools. Plants, irrigates, cultivates, sprays and fertilizers City trees and shrubs. Removes large limbs and whole trees, frequently works near structures and power lines. Performs simple tree surgery and support cabling. Operates and maintains automotive equipment including trucks, chippers and stump grinders.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge of: common shade and ornamental tree characteristics including identification and application regarding parks and parkway areas. Knowledge of standard equipment, methodology and safety aspects regarding general tree maintenance operations.

Ability to: climb trees, use ladders and lines applicable to tree work. Perform tasks requiring physical agility and strength. Follow written/verbal instructions and work effectively with others.

Education and Experience: a combination of training and experience equivalent to completion of high school and two year's recent experience in the climbing and trimming of trees.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:

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

Ability to operate a portable radio.

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

Ability to operate tree trimming equipment such as chain saws, hydraulic pruners, tower truck and clam lift and chipper, climb trees, work with ropes and slings, and plant canned and boxed trees.

Ability to lift at least 45 pounds.

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

Ability to get in and out of a vehicle up to 30 times a day.

Ability to see and hear.