



City of Brunswick Job Description

Job Title: Mower Operator
Department/Div: Public Works-Parks
Reports to: Crew Leader, Or Other Supervisor
Titles Supervised: none

FLSA: Nonexempt
EE0-4 Code: SERV
Date: 7/5/04;5/31/10;12/24/2013;10/01/2021

Job Summary

Under direction of a field supervisor, operates motorized mowing equipment and performs a variety of semi-skilled or unskilled labor, as needed. Monitors equipment for safe operation, makes adjustments, and performs incidental equipment maintenance. Work is performed with relative independence, but is reviewed regularly for quality, quantity, safety of operation, and care of equipment. Work is evaluated through personal observation for timeliness of completed assignments and proper operation of equipment. Performs other work as requested in support of organizational objectives and to meet customer needs.

Essential Functions of the Job

1. Operates motorized mowing equipment.
2. Checks equipment each day before beginning work to ensure that it is serviced with gas, oil, water, and lubricants; checks adjustments, belts, hoses, and tires; performs minor repairs and makes minor adjustments to equipment, as necessary; sees that maintenance and major repairs are performed.
3. Clears area of debris, trash, and other obstacles before mowing.
4. Performs or assists with a variety of landscaping work.
5. Performs housekeeping and facilities maintenance work such that public areas are well kept.
6. May assists in maintaining a chemical herbicide program to control undesirable vegetation along road, rights-of-way, other green spaces and properties. May apply fertilizer and other lawn chemicals; may rake leaves and prepare flower beds.
7. Secures equipment in appropriate place(s) following usage; returns equipment clean.
8. Works as a member of a team performing a variety of grounds and building maintenance work, as needed. May serve as a lead worker as needed.

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Other Task and Responsibilities

May performs other related duties as assigned and as able, in support of customer needs and organizational objectives.

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, and Other Characteristics

1. Knowledge of the operation of light motorized mowing equipment.
2. Skill and ability to operate motorized mowing equipment and hand-held grounds maintenance equipment safely and efficiently.
3. Ability to understand and carry out oral and written instructions. Ability to give oral reports of work progress.
4. Ability to service equipment daily and perform basic maintenance, to monitor the operation of equipment, to make adjustments, and to make operating repairs.
5. Ability to establish and maintain productive working relationships with co-workers and supervisors.
6. Ability to work as a part of a team, as necessary. Ability to communicate effectively with co-workers, crew members, supervisors, customers, and others.
7. Ability to manage time and resources such that deadlines are met.
8. Ability to give and accept direction.
9. Ability to anticipate problems and proactively resolve them.
10. Ability to work independently, as well as with a team, and to follow through to task completion.
11. Ability and willingness to work with a variety of equipment and to perform a variety of manual and semi-skilled tasks.
12. Ability to safely perform the physical requirements of the job including walking, standing, sitting, bending, stooping, or kneeling for extended periods of time.
13. Ability to push, pull and lift up to 50 pounds and to carry for a distance of 20 feet.
14. Ability to climb ladders and stairs.
15. Ability to work in an environment exposed to dust, dirt, all weather conditions, and occasional hazards associated with working with pesticides and other lawn maintenance chemicals.
16. Ability to hear, see, and to communicate with others.

17. Ability to work independently and follow through to task completion without close supervision
18. Knowledge of the geography of the City or ability to quickly learn.

19. Willingness and ability to perform other duties as assigned in support of organizational objectives and to meet customer needs.

Minimum Requirements (Education, Experience, Training, Certifications/Licenses)

High School diploma, or equivalent, supplemented by six (6) months experience operating motorized mowing equipment, or an equivalent combination of training and experience. Ability to read, write, and communicate effectively and to carry out verbal and written instructions. Ability to work outdoors and to perform strenuous physical work. Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships and to work as a member of a team. Possession of safe driving record and valid class C driver's license. Experience making minor mechanical repairs desired. Motor Vehicle Records and Criminal History check, and pre-employment drug screening and physical exam required.