JOB DESCRIPTION
"ARBORIST"

Job Title: Arborist

Job Description: The primary function of the arborist is to assist accomplish tasks such as pruning, cabling, bracing, fertilizing, treating, removing and planting of trees. Training for these tasks include learning about safe work procedures, small equipment operation, climbing techniques with rope and saddle, climbing techniques needed for using spikes for removals, safe rigging practices, advanced chainsaw operation, skid steer/compact front end loader training, completion of company project management paperwork and knowledge related to arboriculture. The above task work procedures and safe work practices are required to fulfill our clients' needs. The arborist's actions are all directed toward satisfying the client, the arborist representative and the General Manager, while at the same time maintaining a safe, efficient, and productive operation.

Job performance abilities include the following:
1. Work safely
2. Learn new skills
3. Communicate with other crew members effectively (hear verbal instructions, sometimes from a few hundred feet away)
4. Work in adverse weather conditions, i.e. cold, heat, rain, snow
5. Converse with clients upon arrival to jobsite and thought operation
6. Lift heavy objects sometimes weighting 75 pounds or more
7. Bend to lift objects from the ground
8. Sometimes work standing on uneven ground for long periods of time
9. Lift and push brush into a brush chipper, with training
10. Climb trees to perform pruning and removal operations
    a. Rig sections of trees to safely lower to ground
11. Operate forestry type bucket truck to accomplish tasks
12. Drive large vehicles with trailers to and from jobsites
13. Assist plant health care technicians/applicators in treatment operations (during months of April through November), i.e.
    a. dragging heavy applicator hose
    b. make chemical applications
    c. move lawn and patio furniture
    d. write notes on work orders and client leave-behinds
    e. converse with clients
14. Pour/pump gasoline and diesel into equipment in a safe, efficient manner
15. Must be able and willing to wear safety equipment at all times, i.e. hard hat, hearing protection, eye protection, chain saw protective apparel
16. Climb in and out of large trucks; both from the cab and the rear of the trucks to perform duties such as unloading plants
17. Read, understand and use a street map book
18. Use shovels, rakes, picks, wheelbarrow and other hand tools to spread topsoil, mulch, stone and other landscape materials
19. Operate small powered equipment such as a leaf blower and chainsaw
20. Operate Skid steer/compact front end loader
21. Wash company vehicles to maintain clean work environment and a quality public image