ARBOR & GROUNDS ATTENDANT

Function of Job:
Under general supervision of designated supervisor, to perform duties involving the planting, pruning, fertilizing, removal, and maintenance of trees and plants and to assist with snow removal and general grounds maintenance.

Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities:
1. Brace, prune and remove dead, diseased or insect infested branches for health, appearance, and safety.
2. Fertilize trees and plants through the application of primary, secondary, and micro nutrients for plant growth via solid and water soluble root feeding or foliar sprays.
3. Spray trees and plants to rid of insect and disease pests.
4. Plant, transplant, and periodically maintain nursery-grown and wilding stock.
5. Remove and eliminate dead trees for safety and sanitation, requiring knowledge of ropes, knots, climbing, and competence with chain saws.
6. May propagate plants by taking cuttings, budding, and grafting.
7. Maintain records of plantings.
8. Supervise work crews to assure compliance with OSHA safety rules during tree removal.
9. Respond to storm related emergencies during winter months for tree work and snow and ice removal.
10. Perform related duties as assigned within grounds area.

Minimum Acceptable Qualifications:
1. Two years of related experience.
2. Arborist certificate for the state of New Hampshire required.
4. Current commercial drivers license and bucket truck experience to 60' working height.
5. Knowledge of integrated pest management methods.
6. NH Pesticide license, Category G1 & G2
7. Sufficient strength and physical dexterity to perform duties and responsibilities of this job, including heavy work with exposure to inclement weather conditions for prolonged periods of time.
8. Must be able to wear and use personal protective equipment as necessary.

Additional Desirable Qualifications
1. Two years of specialized schooling in appropriate area.
2. International Society of Arborists certification desirable.
3. NH Pesticide license, Category GI + G2

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