

GREENSKEEPER

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is technical and supervisory work involving responsibility for the maintenance of golf greens, fairways and other land comprising a golf course and keeping it in playable condition at all times. Supervision is exercised over a number of subordinate personnel assigned to the maintenance of the golf course and its buildings. General direction is received from a Golf Course Superintendent or a municipal administrator. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Supervises the mowing, topdressing and care of golf greens and tees;
Exercises the proper control of weeds, insects and fungi pests;
Supervises the proper watering of greens, maintenance of sand traps and mixing of compost;
Directs the location of hole cups and tee markers and sees that tee stands are properly equipped;
Directs and supervises the proper care of lawns, shrubbery, trees, roads, paths, parking spaces and other developed or undeveloped areas pertaining to a golf course;
Directs the maintenance and minor repairs to all buildings;
Directs the maintenance and minor repairs to all mowers and golf course mechanical equipment;
Requisitions equipment, supplies and materials;
Establishes work schedules of subordinate personnel and instructs laborers in their duties;
Maintains records and prepares reports;
Makes annual inventory of all maintenance equipment;
Prepares annual budget estimates;
May prepare specifications for maintenance and repair programs;
May perform related or similar duties with respect to the maintenance and upkeep of other recreational areas such as ballfields.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the proper care and upkeep of golf greens and ability to keep them in fit condition for golf play; good knowledge of weeds, insects and fungi pests and of methods used for their control and eradication; good knowledge of seeds and fertilizers; good knowledge of the general maintenance of buildings, grounds and equipment; ability to lay out and supervise the work of others.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. A Bachelor's degree in horticulture which included or was supplemented by 12 credit hours in turfgrass management and one (1) year of responsible supervisory experience in the maintenance of a golf course; or
2. An Associate's degree in turfgrass management and three (3) years of experience in the maintenance of a golf course, one (1) year of which must have been responsible supervisory experience; or
3. Graduation from high school or possession of an equivalency diploma and seven (7) years of experience in the maintenance of a golf course, one (1) year of which must have been responsible supervisory experience. Additional experience can be substituted for schooling on a year-for-year basis and the satisfactory completion of a high school vocational program in horticulture or a college certificate program in turf management can be substituted for two (2) years of experience; or
4. Any equivalent combination of training and experience as noted above.

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. If required to operate a motor vehicle, must possess a valid driver's license appropriate for the vehicle to be driven.
2. Possession of a valid, appropriate Pesticide Applicator's certification issued by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

Definitions, guidelines, restrictions, etc. are specifically defined in Part 325, Application of Pesticides, Rules and Regulations, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

3. It shall be the responsibility of the appointing authority to ensure any and all pertinent rules, regulations, requirements, etc. of local, state or federal agencies are strictly adhered to.