

LEAD MAINTENANCE MECHANIC (GARDENER)*

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Oversees and performs gardening work; does related work as required.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision, oversees and performs general gardening and groundskeeping work. Work is performed with considerable independence but with opportunity for conferences used and other related gardening problems. Supervision is exercised over a number of lower level gardening personnel.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Assigns employees to various gardening jobs and oversees same;

Oversees and participates in the planting and raising of flowers, trees, hedges, and bushes;

Oversees and participates in the planting and raising of flowers in a small hot bed for later transplanting;

Oversees and participates in the trimming of trees, hedges, and bushes;

Oversees and participates in the fertilization, watering and spraying of lawns, trees, shrubs, and flowers;

Oversees and participates in the raking of leaves, mowing of grass, etc.;

Participates with supervisors in the planning of special design floral beds, the setting out of same and their care;

Detects plant diseases and takes measures to control same by preventive spraying and treating;

Recommends quantities and types of garden supplies required;

Drives a truck or tractor as the various jobs require;

Oversees and performs the cleaning up of litter in the park area.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Good knowledge of the methods and equipment associated with gardening work including the more technical phases of plant disease control, amounts and mixtures of fertilizers, hot house planting, raising and transplanting, etc.; ability to follow oral and written instructions; ability to get along well with supervisors and grounds crew employees; resourcefulness and creativeness in laying out flower beds and caring for same in a neat and attractive manner; initiative in carrying out assigned work; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Either: (a) graduation from high school or trade school course or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and four years of landscape gardening work; or (b) a two year post high or trade school course in landscape gardening and two years of experience in the field; or (c) eight years of estate or landscape gardening experience; or (d) a satisfactory equivalent combination of the foregoing training and experience.

Towns, Villages
Cities of Rye and Peekskill
J. C.: Non-competitive

Job Class Code: 0476

* Formerly known as "Maintenance Foreman (Gardener)"