

## TREE SURGERY SERIES

Code No.	Class Title	Occ. Area	Work Area	Prob. Period	Last Action	Effective Date
4158	Assistant Tree Surgeon	14	171	6 mo.	Revised	
4156	Tree Surgeon	14	171	6 mo.	Revised	

*Promotional Lines: 163, 218<sup>1</sup>*

### Series Narrative

Employees in this series perform duties involved in and/or are responsible for the care, preservation, and treatment of trees and shrubs.

### DESCRIPTIONS OF LEVELS OF WORK

#### **Level I: Assistant Tree Surgeon** **4158**

Employees at this level perform routine work in connection with the care, preservation, and treatment of trees and shrubs. They work under direct supervision from a designated supervisor.

An Assistant Tree Surgeon typically –

1. assists in general tree maintenance **utilizing current industry practices**, including trimming, feeding, spaying, cabling, and injecting of trees ~~bolting~~
2. **to gain access to work areas, climbs trees using climbing hooks and belts or by using ladders to perform assigned duties.**
3. assists in tree removals
4. prunes and transplants trees and shrubs
5. supervises employees of lower rank as assigned
6. performs related duties as assigned

#### **Level II: Tree Surgeon** **4156**

Employees at this level assist in and are responsible for the care, preservation, and treatment of trees and shrubs. They work under general supervision from a designated supervisor.

A Tree Surgeon typically –

1. assists in and is responsible for tree maintenance, utilizing current industry standards, including trimming, feeding, spraying, cabling, and injecting ~~bolting~~ of trees

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<sup>1</sup>See the Promotional Line List for a listing of all the classes in each promotional line.

2. to gain access to work areas, climbs trees using climbing hooks and belts or by using ladders to perform assigned duties
3. treats rotted areas by scraping dead and decaying wood out of cavities and filling or treating them
4. is responsible for tree removals
5. checks trees and shrubs for disease and provides necessary treatment
6. prunes and transplants trees and shrubs
7. supervises subordinates or other assistants
8. performs related duties as assigned

#### MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO

##### **Level I: Assistant Tree Surgeon**

**4158**

#### CREDENTIALS TO BE VERIFIED BY PLACEMENT OFFICER

1. Three (3) years of experience in the maintenance of gardens, lawns, shrubs or trees, nursery

#### PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES NEEDED TO UNDERTAKE JOB

1. Knowledge of materials, methods, tools, and equipment to be used
2. Knowledge of safe practices and willingness and ability to follow them
3. Ability to follow simple instructions
4. Ability and willingness to work as directed
5. Agility

##### **Level II: Tree Surgeon**

**4156**

#### CREDENTIALS TO BE VERIFIED BY PLACEMENT OFFICER

1. Four (4) years of experience in the maintenance, care and treatment of gardens, lawns, shrubs or trees, two (2) of which were in the care and treatment of shrubs and trees

#### PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES NEEDED TO UNDERTAKE JOB

1. Knowledge of materials, methods, tools, and equipment to be used
2. Knowledge of plant life diseases and methods to control them

3. Knowledge of safe practices and willingness and ability to follow them
4. Supervisory ability
5. Ability to follow simple instructions
6. Ability and willingness to work as directed
7. Agility