



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

FORESTRY EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN

Job Number: 20001480

Job Code: 72130V230916

Job Group: 7200 - FORESTRY

Job Established: 06/16/1982

Job Revised: 09/16/2023

Grade: 13 Salary (MIN - MID):

\$20,549-\$30,824 - Hourly

\$3,339.22-\$5,008.90 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary

\$3,561.84-\$5,342.84 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary

Special Entrance Rate:

NONE

NONE

NONE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 6 months, except as provided in KRS 18A.111.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB: *Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Oversees the use and maintenance of forestry equipment including fire equipment, engine platforms, and tree equipment in assigned area or tree nursery. Recommends procedural and operation protocols to ensure firefighter safety and wildfire suppression and prescribed fire efficiency; and performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

High school graduate.

EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, OR SKILLS:

Must have five years of forestry and/or equipment maintenance and repair experience.

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

Vocational school in the field of automobile or diesel mechanics will substitute on a year for year basis.

Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:

NONE

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

Must possess a valid driver's license prior to appointment in this classification. Upon employment, must furnish to the agency's appointing authority title documentation that he or she possesses a valid commercial driver's license or a valid commercial driver's license commiserate with the type of commercial vehicle being utilized by the agency. Must maintain any required licensure(s), certification(s), or other credentials for the length of employment in this classification. Employing agency is responsible for ensuring employee possesses and maintains required licensure(s), certification(s) or other credentials.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: *Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Coordinates changes to advancements in equipment designed for wildfire suppression and needs to modify existing equipment to ensure safety for firefighters to operate. Recommends procedural and operation protocols to ensure firefighter safety and wildfire suppression and prescribed fire efficiency. Provides training sessions and one-on-one instruction on equipment. Instructs other employees on basic maintenance to assist in the upkeep of forestry wildfire equipment managed by the agency. Inspects equipment for safety, servicing needs, and general appearance. Repairs light and/or heavy equipment. Conducts training sessions on equipment repairs. Repairs office equipment. Prepares and maintains reports on equipment. Orders and maintains supplies for the equipment. Inspects and moves state and federal excess property. Operates heavy equipment. Supervises and assists in wildfire suppression, prevention, prescribed fire, and all-risk emergency activities. Collects tree seed. Sells and delivers tree seedlings. May enforce the forestry laws of Kentucky. Serves on a mobilization team during wildfire emergencies and assists regions in wildfire suppression if needed.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Incumbent must be able to bend, stoop, climb, stand, crawl, lift and walk long distances. Extreme physical effort is required when suppressing wildland fires and performing all-risk emergency tasks if mobilized to assist during emergencies. The ability to walk on steep slopes, use fire hand tools, and occasionally work long hours is required.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: *Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.*

Travel will be required. Incumbent will be exposed to hazards associated with working on light or heavy equipment. Work can be under adverse conditions due to weather, topography, or when suppressing wild land fires. Adverse conditions could be present when assisting in all-risk emergency response when mobilized. Duties are typically performed within the Commonwealth of Kentucky; however, some functions may occur in other states.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Applicants and employees in this job classification may be required to submit to a drug-screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

The Commonwealth of Kentucky does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, disability, age, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, pregnancy or related medical condition, marital or familial status, ancestry, political affiliation, genetic information, or veteran status in accordance with state and federal laws.