



# CITY OF OMAHA CLASS SPECIFICATION

**CLASSIFICATION TITLE: TREE TRIMMER II**

**BARGAINING UNIT:** [CIV BARGAINING](#)

**CODE NUMBER:** 6960

**PAY RANGE CODE:** [11125](#)

**REVISION DATE:** 4/27/17

## **NATURE OF WORK:**

This is a skilled crew leader position responsible for coordinating manpower and equipment and training crew members in safe and efficient use of equipment and in professional arboriculture. Work involves climbing trees and working at heights. Routine assignments are performed with considerable independence and in accordance with established policies and methods. Work is reviewed by a superior through periodic instructions.

**ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:** *(Any one position may not perform all the duties listed, nor do the listed examples include all the duties that may be performed in positions allocated to this class.)*

Participates in the operation and maintenance of forestry equipment assigned to a crew and inspects all forestry equipment and vehicles.

Plans, trains, provides work direction, and participates in the work of a forestry crew engaged in planting, pruning, watering, fertilizing, mulching, and applying chemicals to city trees.

Operates all types of automotive and forestry equipment.

Identifies and removes or directs the removal of dead trees and hazardous limbs from city property.

Completes daily activity reports detailing tree operations.

Consults with utility companies regarding utility lines and tree and limb removal operations.

Maintains regular job attendance in accordance with a schedule established for the position by the supervisor.

Performs other related duties as assigned or as the situation dictates within the scope of this classification.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:**

Knowledge of the standard methods, materials, tools, and practices used in the pruning and maintenance of trees.

Knowledge of the chemicals used in tree pest management.

Skill in the use of standard tools and equipment of arboriculture.

Ability to interpret Chapter 37, Trees and Vegetation, of the Omaha Municipal Code.

Ability to identify types of trees and shrubs and the nature of the diseases they may incur.

Ability to safely climb trees and apply chemicals.

Ability to operate and service forestry equipment.

Ability to plan and coordinate the work of subordinates.

Ability to understand written or verbal instructions.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with fellow employees and members of the general public.

Ability to adhere to safety policies, procedures and guidelines.

Ability to climb, reach, balance, stoop, squat, stand, walk, push, pull and otherwise perform the movements involved in exercising the essential functions of this position for periods of up to eight or more hours.

Ability to move objects weighing up to one hundred (100) pounds up to 33% of the time; weighing up to fifty (50) pounds from 34 to 66% of the time; and weighing up to twenty (20) pounds from 67 to 100% of the time.

**EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:** *(The knowledge, skills, and abilities above may be acquired through, but are not limited to, the following combination of education and/or experience.)*

Five (5) years of experience in the climbing, pruning, and maintenance of trees.

One (1) year of supervisory experience is preferred.

**SPECIAL QUALIFICATION**

Must possess a valid Class B commercial driver's license with N endorsement and air brake certification by the end of the probationary period.

Must possess and retain a 2nd grade hoisting and portable engineer's certificate by the end of the probationary period.

Must obtain and maintain a current Cardio-pulmonary Resuscitation Certificate Certified Federal and State of Nebraska Pesticide Applicator's Certificate by the end of the probationary period.

Must obtain a First Class Arborist's license, issued by the City of Omaha, by the end of the probationary period.

Must be an arborist certified by the Nebraska Arborist Association by the end of the probationary period.

**WORKING CONDITIONS:** *(The conditions herein are representative of those that must be met by the employee to successfully perform the essential functions of the job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential job functions.)*

Work is primarily performed outside in temperatures ranging from below zero (0) degrees to above one hundred (100) degrees Fahrenheit and may involve exposure to chemicals, humidity, odors and dusts. Work is performed near or with vibrating machinery, moving mechanical parts, and electrical current as close as ten (10) feet and at heights of up to one hundred (100) feet. Work performed around plantings may result in insect bites and stings and contact with poison ivy. Noise levels may require shouting in order to be heard. Work also entails contact with the public which may involve property damage situations.

**EQUIPMENT OPERATION:** *(Any one position may not use all of the tools and equipment listed nor do the listed examples comprise all of the tools and equipment that may be used in positions allocated to this classification.)*

High Reach Truck	Chain Saw	Brush Chipper
Tree Spade	Stump cutter	Log Loader
Tractor	Spray Equipment	Trailer
Dump Truck (28,000 G.V.W.)	Polesaw/Pruner	Hand Tools
Tree Climbing Equipment/Gear		

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