LANDSCAPER

Job Description:

The role of a landscaper is to build and maintain gardens, parks and other outdoor landscapes. Their duties include ensuring plant growth, cleaning outdoor facilities, and trimming overgrown hedges. They usually work for a landscaping company or as a municipal employee maintaining city parks. A landscaper is responsible for building and maintaining gardens, parks, property buildings, and other outdoor landscapes. They ensure plant growth, the cleanliness of outdoor facilities and pruning of overgrown hedges. Additionally, landscapers supervise maintenance repairs and equipment, landscape structures, outdoor furniture and walkways. Landscapers usually work for a landscaping company or as a municipal employee maintaining city parks, playgrounds, and other public spaces.

Job Responsibilities:

* Perform grounds keeping and building maintenance duties.
* Mow lawn either by hand or using a riding lawnmower.
* Cut lawn using hand, power or riding mower and trim and edge around walks, flower beds, and walls.
* Landscape by planting flowers, grass, shrubs, and bushes.
* Apply pesticide to rid grounds of pests such as mosquitos, wasps, ticks, and others.
* Apply fertilizer to ground to enhance growth.
* Shovel snow from walkways and sprinkle ice down to keep people from falling.
* Perform routine maintenance duties such as applying plaster, fixing fountains, and other duties.
* Sweep walkway of debris.
* Cut down tree limbs that are posing a danger.
* Trim shrubs and pull weeds.
* Perform minor repairs and maintenance procedures on equipment utilized in groundskeeping.
* Install lawn furniture.
* Rake, mulch, and prune the grounds as needed.
* Install rock, cement, lighting, water, and furniture.
* Water plants and grass as needed and apply fertilizer.
* Responsible for ordering and maintaining inventory of supplies as needed.
* Works with skilled plumbers, painters, carpenters, electricians or other tradesmen and grounds employees where some knowledge of the basic operations and methods involved is necessary.
* Repairs fences and gates.
* Makes minor adjustments and keeps equipment in good repair.
* Performs heavy manual labor, custodial, and grounds work as directed. Perform other duties as assigned.
* Transports various items (e.g. tools, equipment and supplies) for the purpose of ensuring the availability of materials required at job site.
* Performs other related duties as assigned.
* Repairs and maintains pumps, filters, diving boards, lane lines, and other equipment; keeps equipment calibrated and realigns readings as necessary.
* Orders and stocks needed supplies.
* Backwashes filters and maintains computer systems associated with filters.
* Prepares pool and works as a liaison with outside vendors to determine criteria for special events, raising or lowering water level and temperature, raising diving boards, stringing lane lines and installing other special equipment.
* Maintains cleanliness of pool, decks, gutters, and surrounding areas; empties trash containers;
* Maintains OSHA signage requirements and other regulations.
* Performs HAZMAT/safety inspections; maintains logs, records, and signs fire extinguisher tags.
* Maintains equipment rooms, shops, vehicles and tools.
* Apply pesticides to remove harmful insects such as mosquitos, wasps, and ticks.
* Conduct general maintenance duties such as cleaning walkways, fixing fountains, and other duties.
* Apply fertilizer to help enhance growth.
* Take out weeds and dead plants.
* Trim overgrown limbs, hedges, and leaves.
* Uphold the landscaping design and ensure plant growth.
* Plant new decorative bushes, flowers, plants, and shrubs.
* Supervise maintenance repairs to equipment, landscape structures, outdoor furniture, and walkways.
* Advise clients on how to look after the landscape.
* Coordinate with garden designers and landscape architects to ensure the garden meets the client's expectations.

Job Qualifications:

* High school diploma or GED required
* Experience as a landscaper

Opportunities as a landscaper are available for applicants without experience in which more than one landscaper is needed in an area such that an experienced landscaper will be present to mentor.

Job Skills Required:

* Knowledge of landscaping
* Awareness of basic operations, tools and terms used in building, grounds and custodial maintenance.
* Have fundamental skills in carpentry, painting, plumbing, and shop practices.
* Ability to multitask
* Good observational skills to notice what needs reordering or changing
* Good communication skills
* Must be able to lift heavy objects up to 100lbs
* Have endurance to walk around and carry out tasks throughout shift
* Pleasant, polite manner and a neat and clean appearance.
* Able to work in a fast-paced environment
* Able to multitask, prioritize, and manage time efficiently
* Ability to be patient while waiting for clients to be ready
* Ability to adapt to last minute changes without frustration
* Knowledge of area roads and neighborhoods