

## **Service Worker 1**

### **Definition**

Assist higher level personnel with the maintenance of nurseries, field plantings, greenhouses and general plant care and are expected to adequately carry out these duties in the absence of direct supervision.

### **Duties include, but not limited to:**

Performs duties involved in the fertilizing, watering, weeding, pruning and propagation of plants and related procedures for research projects;

Inspects health and condition of plants and assists with the cultural practices involved in plant care;

Assists with the preparation of soil for new field plantings of trees, shrubs, and ornamental bulbs;

Cleans, services, sterilizes and maintains tools and equipment;

Uses a variety of manual tools and equipment, such as rakes, loppers, shovels, wheelbarrows, weeding forks, hoes, pruning shears, weed trimmers and pesticide sprayers;

May operate power and motorized equipment such as small trucks, lawn mowers, chain saws, weed trimmers;

Labels plants and maintains records;

Assists with laboratory demonstrations;

Harvests and cleans ornamental bulbs in preparation for data collection and storage;

Applies pesticides and herbicides to plant material;

Assists in moving materials and supplies;

Performs related duties as required.

### **Legal Requirement(s)**

Must possess a valid Washington State Driver's license.

### **Desirable Qualifications**

Requires the ability to perform heavy, outside work in inclement weather; follow oral and written directions. Previous gardening, landscaping or grounds keeping experience is beneficial. Washington State Pesticide Handler's license is desirable.

### **Hours:**

Part time schedule with flexible hours; possibility of full-time during the summer months.

### **Pay rate**

Dependent upon experience.

For more information or to apply for this position contact

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