

CODE: 1507
FLSA: Non-exempt
GRADE: 7

TOWN OF CLOVER, SC
JOB DESCRIPTION- JANUARY 2014

JOB TITLE: PARK ASSISTANT
RECREATION DEPARTMENT

GENERAL STATEMENT OF JOB

Under general supervision, assists in maintaining athletic fields, park facilities and all department equipment. Provides leadership and instruction to co-workers. Performs related work as assigned. Ensures a safe playing facility for adults and youth in the community. Reports to the Assistant Park Superintendent.

SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Ensures a safe environment for the general public.

Inspects all department facilities, grounds and equipment.

Performs grounds keeping duties, including but not limited to mowing, edging, weed-eating, landscaping, watering, trimming shrubbery and trees, cuts trees, removing debris, etc.

Maintains ball fields and prepares fields for play.

Performs mechanical adjustments and repairs to equipment as needed.

Exercises care and ensures safety of equipment and tools required to complete assigned tasks.

Receives and stocks supplies; opens the Recreation Center at appropriate times each day; picks up and removes trash; performs custodial duties as required.

Assists in maintaining all facilities.

Receives and/or reviews various records and reports including game schedules.

Refers to maintenance logs, the safety manual and MSDS books.

Interacts and communicates with various groups and individuals such as coworkers, program coordinators, immediate supervisor, Recreation Director, other Town employees, contractors, customers, general public, Clover Jaycees and event coordinators.

Operates a variety of machinery and/or equipment such as a backhoe, loader, commercial mower, tractors, a bucket truck, chainsaws, weed trimmers, edgers, leaf blower, mechanic tools, etc.

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Utilizes cleaning materials and supplies, fertilizers and pesticides.

Abides by all policies, procedures, rules, etc. associated with the Town's Employee Safety Handbook, including reporting any unsafe situation or act to supervisors and all accidents, injuries or incidents as soon as they occur.

ADDITIONAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Supervises community service workers.

Assists with car shows, festivals, etc.

Performs other related duties as required.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Requires a high school diploma supplemented by a minimum of six months of experience in a job related field, or an equivalent combination of education, training and experience that provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities. Must possess a valid state driver's license.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OR STANDARDS REQUIRED TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Physical Requirements: Must be physically able to operate a variety of machinery and equipment. Must be able to exert up to five pounds of force occasionally and/or a negligible amount of force frequently or constantly to push, stoop, lift, pull, climb, carry or otherwise move objects. Must be able to lift/carry weights of up to 60 pounds.

Data Conception: Requires the ability to compare and/or judge the readily observable, functional, structural, or compositional characteristics (whether similar to or divergent from obvious standards) of data, people, or things.

Interpersonal Communication: Requires the ability of speaking and/or signaling people to convey or exchange information, includes the receiving of information and instruction from supervisor.

Language Ability: Requires the ability to read a variety of documents and reports. Requires the ability to prepare/record required records and reports using the proper format punctuation, spelling, and grammar, using all parts of speech.

Intelligence: Requires the ability to apply principles of logical thinking to define problems, collect data, establish facts and draw valid conclusions; to deal with several abstract and concrete variables. Requires the ability to acquire knowledge of topics related to primary occupation. Must have the ability to comprehend and interpret received information.

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Verbal Aptitude: Requires the ability to record and deliver information, to explain procedures, to follow and give verbal and written instructions; to counsel and teach employees. Must be able to communicate effectively and efficiently with co-workers and the general public.

Numeric Aptitude: Requires the ability to use arithmetic such as interest rates, discounts, mark-ups, complex fractions and decimals, etc.

Form/Spatial Aptitude: Requires the ability to inspect items for proper length, width, and shape.

Motor Coordination: Requires the ability to make precise movements with fingers, hands and arms, e.g., chain sawing, mowing, landscaping, etc.

Manual Dexterity: Requires the ability to handle a variety of items, office equipment, control knobs, switches, etc. Must have good levels of eye/hand/foot coordination.

Color Perception and Visual Acuity: Requires the ability to differentiate specific shades, pitch, shapes, flavors, e.g., equipment maintenance, plumbing, landscaping, etc.

Interpersonal Temperament: Requires the ability to deal with people beyond giving and receiving instructions. Must be adaptable to performing under stress when confronted with persons acting under stress.

Physical Communications: Requires the ability to talk and hear: (talking: expressing or exchanging ideas by means of spoken words; hearing: perceiving nature of sounds by ear).

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Knowledge of Job: Has knowledge of the methods, policies, and procedures of the department as they pertain to the performance of duties of the Park Assistant. Has knowledge of the methods, organization and planning as they pertain to the performance of duties of the position and as reflected in the needs and requirements of the department. Is able to make sound job related decisions. Is able to take the initiative to complete the duties of the position. Is able to plan, organize, and prioritize daily assignments and work activities. Is able to learn and utilize new skills and information to improve job performance and efficiency. Is able to read and interpret materials pertaining to the responsibilities of the job. Is able to prepare required reports with accuracy and in a timely manner. Has knowledge of the terminology used within the department. Has knowledge of how to maintain effective relationships with staff, professionals, and members of the public through contact and cooperation. Is able to analyze and recognize problems and potential problems and recommend appropriate solutions. Is able to comprehend, interpret, and apply policies, procedure, rules, and regulations. Has knowledge of proper English usage, vocabulary, spelling, and basic mathematics. Has knowledge of applicable occupational hazards and safety precautions. Has knowledge of how to react calmly and quickly in emergency situations.

Quality of Work: Maintains high standards of accuracy in exercising duties and responsibilities. Exercises immediate remedial action to correct any quality deficiencies that occur in areas of responsibility. Maintains high quality communication and interaction with internal and external entities with whom the position interacts.

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Quantity of Work: Performs described Essential Functions and related assignments efficiently and effectively in order to produce quantity of work which consistently meets established standards and expectations.

Dependability: Assumes responsibility for completing assigned work. Completes assigned work within deadlines in accordance with directives, policy, standards and prescribed procedures. Maintains accountability for assigned responsibilities in the technical, human and conceptual areas.

Attendance: Attends and remains at work regularly and adheres to policies and procedures regarding absenteeism and tardiness. Provides adequate notice to higher management with respect to vacation time and leave requests.

Initiative and Enthusiasm: Maintains an enthusiastic, self-reliant and self-starting approach to meet job responsibilities and accountabilities. Strives to anticipate work to be accomplished, and initiates proper and acceptable action for the completion of work with a minimum of supervision and instruction.

Judgment: Exercises analytical judgment in areas of responsibility. Identifies issues or situations as they occur and specifies decision objectives. Identifies or assists in identifying alternative solutions to issues or situations. Implements decisions in accordance with prescribed and effective policies and procedures and with a minimum of errors. Seeks expert or experienced advice where appropriate and researches issues, situations and alternatives before exercising judgment.

Cooperation: Accepts supervisory instruction and direction and strives to meet the goals and objectives of same. Questions such instruction and direction when clarification of results or consequences are justified, i.e., poor communications, variance with established policies or procedures, etc. Offers suggestions and recommendations to encourage and improve cooperation intra- and inter-departmentally.

Relationships with Others: Shares knowledge with managers, supervisors and co-workers for mutual benefit. Contributes to maintaining high morale among all employees. Develops and maintains cooperative and courteous relationships inter- and intra-departmentally, and with external entities with whom the position interacts. Tactfully and effectively handles requests, suggestions and complaints in order to establish and maintain good will. Emphasizes the importance of maintaining a positive image.

Coordination of Work: Plans and organizes daily work routine. Establishes priorities for the completion of work in accordance with sound time-management methodology. Avoids duplication of effort. Estimates expected time of completion of work elements and establishes a personal schedule accordingly. Attends required meetings, planning sessions and discussions on time. Implements work activity in accordance with priorities and estimated schedules.

Safety and Housekeeping: Adheres to all established safety and housekeeping standards. Ensures such standards are not violated.

DISCLAIMER: This job description is not an employment agreement or contract. Management has the exclusive right to alter this job description at any time without notice.