



City of Denton Job Description

Title:	Playground Safety Inspector/Technician
Position ID:	Position ID
Department/Division:	Parks and Recreation/Park Maintenance
Reports to:	Parks Manager
FLSA Designation:	FLSA Designation
Safety Sensitive:	Yes
DOT:	No

Definition: Responsible for all the equipment and compliance requirements for playgrounds in the City of Denton to assure safe and reliable playgrounds are provide to park users

Essential Functions:

- Conducts detailed safety checks and inspections of existing playground equipment and protective surfaces in the City parks to ensure they are in compliance with departments standards, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, American Society for Testing and Materials, and American Disabilities Act guidelines
- Examines plans and specifications for new playground installations
- Inspects new playground equipment installations and modifications to ensure contractor compliance with department standards, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, American Society for Testing and Materials, and ADA guidelines
- Works independently and conducts specialized playground equipment inspections and skilled labor tasks to maintain safety standards for equipment in the park system
- Repairs playground equipment, components, and surfaces within scope of authority; replaces and adjusts worn and damaged mechanical parts and components; troubleshoots present potential problems; researches and orders parts and supplies
- Leads field staff on playground modifications and major component replacements
- Performs skilled playground equipment maintenance; inspects, tests, adjusts, cleans, lubricates equipment and components; installs new playground equipment
- Documents inspections, repairs and maintains technical records
- Prepares surfaces and applies protective finishes as needed; sweeps and cleans playground facilities, removes graffiti, and cleans up hazards and vandalism
- Operates a variety of vehicles and specialized equipment to install playground equipment in accordance with all safety regulations and procedures; identifies and reports mechanical problems which require additional repair
- Controls work site to assure that safety rules and regulations are adhered to, and that the work zone and all equipment are in safe operating condition
- Enters and maintains daily work tasks on the asset work management system

Additional Duties:

- Responds to after hour call outs for high water, storm damage and ice removal/control
- Rotates weekend duty trash route and high water on call throughout the year
- Performs other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications / Acceptable Equivalency:

- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- Two (2) years of experience in maintenance and repair of playgrounds and facilities
- Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) certification is required

OR

- Any combination of related education, experience, certifications and licenses that will result in a candidate successfully performing the essential functions of the job

Core Competencies:

- Ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing
- Ability to form and maintain effective relationships with coworkers and customers
- Ability to maintain regular and punctual attendance
- Ability to effectively utilize grounds maintenance equipment
- Ability to operate basic computer software and mobile devices to input daily work management effectively

Conditions of Employment:

- Must have a valid Class "C" Driver's License and valid state required minimum automobile liability insurance prior to employment (must obtain Texas Class "C" driver's license and state required minimum automobile liability insurance within 30 days of hire per state law)
- Must pass a drug test, driver's license check, and criminal history background check
- Must pass a physical examination
- Must be able to work overtime when requested
- Must attend and successfully complete the City's Defensive Driving Course (DDC) as soon as possible after employment
- Ability to work in all kinds of weather

Preferences:

- Bilingual in Spanish and English
- Prior five (5) years experience

Physical Requirements:

Overall Strength Demands: The ***bold and italicized*** word describes the overall strength demand of the functions performed by the incumbent during a typical workday.

- Very Heavy – lifting more than 100 pounds, carry more than 50 pounds

Physical Demand Codes: The following describes if the incumbent is expected to exert the following physical demands during a typical workday and the overall frequency.

Codes for “how often”:

Y = Yes

N = No

E = extensive (100-70%)

M = moderate (60-30%)

I = infrequent (20-10%)

A = almost never (<10%)

Task: Code:

1. Standing: E
2. Sitting: I
3. Walking: E
4. Lifting: E
5. Carrying: E
6. Pushing/Pulling: E
7. Overhead Work: M
8. Fine Dexterity: E
9. Kneeling: M
10. Crouching: M
11. Crawling: M
12. Bending: E
13. Twisting: E
14. Climbing: E
15. Balancing: E
16. Vision: E
17. Hearing: E
18. Talking: E
19. Video Display: A
20. Other:

Machines, Tools, Equipment and Work Aids:

The essential functions of this position require the daily use of computers, hand tools, and light to heavy equipment

Environmental Factors:

The essential functions of this position are performed outside and inside during the work year; requires work in high and low temperature and humidity; requires exposure to vibration, noise, chemical contact and extensive exposure to dust, fuel and fumes; also requires shift work and the operation of a motor vehicle

