

JOB DESCRIPTION

ST. CATHARINES		Employee Group	CUPE Local 150
Job Title	Parks Operator I – Cemetery	Pay Group	3
Department	Recreation and Community Services (RCS)	Division	RCS Operations
Supervised By	Foreman III – Cemetery	Directs	Seasonal staff, Students

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

To perform the property maintenance activities of the Municipal cemetery operation. To assist with the preparation and execution of burials and work in compliance with the applicable by-laws and legislation.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

(These set out the principal functions of the position, and shall not be considered as a detailed description of all the work requirements.)

- 1. Operate equipment and vehicles to support the maintenance of Municipal cemetery and green space, sample tasks include but are not limited to:
- a. Lawn maintenance activities both around Municipal buildings and open green space;
- b. Trim and edge along walkways, trails, flower beds and parking lots;
- c. Line grave sites. Grave set up and grave reinstatement;
- d. Lay plywood, move headstones, position casket lowering device on grave site;
- e. Pick up and transport workers, parts, material, equipment and trailers as required;
- 2. Preventative maintenance on and basic repairs to park equipment and facilities, sample tasks include but are not limited to:
- a. Lubricate and add fluids to vehicle;
- b. Repair and paint equipment and facilities, such as fences, gates and bleachers.
- 3. General labour duties such as litter pick up, dig ditches to repair or lay drainage pipe, rake leaves, lay sod and other general property maintenance as required.
- 4. Provide functional leadership of others in small groups to perform various general labour duties.
- 5. Ensure security of facility: unlocking, locking, operating alarm systems and liaise with alarm companies when necessary.
- 6. Ensure equipment is safe to operate, securely stored and practice good housekeeping of vehicle and work area.
- 7. Provide excellent customer service; respond to needs of all customers and staff as required.
- 8. Efficiently and accurately complete paperwork (e.g. daily performance logs, time sheets and accident reports).

9. Perform other similar and related duties as required.

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

- Grade 12 Diploma or General Educational Development (GED) Certificate.
- Certificate or Diploma in Horticulture or Turf Management from a recognized institution or equivalent is preferred.
- Valid Standard First Aid / CPR C Certification as recognized through the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB).
- Valid, unrestricted Class "G" driver's licence held in good standing. Class "DZ" licence preferred.
- Knowledge of the Cemetery By-Laws, Cemeteries Act and the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act would be an asset.
- Knowledge of the proper grave set-up, grave opening and closing procedures, foundation layout, marker installation and lot layout procedures would be an asset.
- Formal training and experience with the Occupational Health and Safety Act in particular as it relates to maintenance and construction activities (e.g. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), fall arrest, trench safety).
- A demonstrated commitment to enhancing a safety culture. Knowledge of City of St. Catharines safety policies preferred.
- Demonstrated knowledge of the Ontario Traffic Manual with emphasis on Book 7 preferred.
 Ability to safely set up traffic control in work zones during roadway or utility construction and maintenance operations.
- Ability to meet the physical demands of the job as described in the physical demands analysis (PDA).
- Availability to work flexible hours (e.g. working shifts for a 7 day, 24 hour operation, overtime, winter control).
- Effective time management skills and attention to detail with the ability to organize work to meet deadlines, multi-task and work independently in situations with minimal supervision.
- Exceptional customer service skills with a strong sense of public service and cooperation, and well developed abilities to deal with the public and citizens' groups.
- Basic computer skills, experience with Microsoft Office Suite an asset.

Approved by:	
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Director of Recreation and Community Services	Date /
Acknowledged by:	OCT 28/13
Assistant Director of CSS / HR Manager	Date
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