



Parks Maintenance Technician (Athletics)

Salary Range: 15

Annual: \$32,292 - \$38,751

Hourly: \$15.53 - \$18.63

Job Summary

This is an entry-level parks maintenance position that primarily performs skilled duties associated with the operation and maintenance of athletic fields and facilities, athletic field preparation, and general maintenance of the City's sports complexes and parks, and other city facilities. Additional responsibilities include periodic interaction with the public, coaches, players, and event organizers and work assignments at city-wide or departmental special events.

Under supervision, performs various unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled tasks in the construction, repair, and maintenance of park and open space facilities, structures, and grounds; and performs other related duties as required.

PRIMARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Performs daily field preparation for field activities, litter cleanup, restroom cleanup or other custodial duties, athletic field complex cleaning, and transporting of equipment.
- Does regular cleaning and minor maintenance of equipment.
- Operates equipment including chalk liners, line painters, drags, blowers, mowers, riding mowers, line trimmers, field sweepers, pressure washers, and a variety of hand tools and hand power tools.
- Operates automotive equipment such as pickup trucks with trailer attachments, small dump trucks to haul dirt, gravel, etc. and as needed, small tractors with 3-point attachments (Category 1 & 2), skid-steers, and small backhoes.
- Prepares initial layout or set-up of athletic fields and maintains fields according to specifications of scheduled events, including football, baseball, softball, soccer, etc.
- Operates manual and automatic irrigation systems as required.
- Assists in the installation, maintenance, and repair of irrigation and drainage systems.
- Conducts routine audits of irrigation systems and reports serious problems to their supervisor.
- Answers inquiries and informs the public of park regulations.
- Enforces park regulations to ensure the enjoyment of park users and the protection of public property.
- Responds to public inquiries concerning information about scheduled events.
- Requests law enforcement assistance to resolve problems as needed.
- Determines field conditions (i.e., playability of the field) prior to a rain-out report in the absence of their supervisor.
- Inspects grounds, facilities, and buildings daily, looking for safety concerns and maintenance needs.
- Identifies and resolves or reports hazards to supervisor; maintains maintenance records.
- Performs basic construction, carpentry, plumbing, welding, electrical and painting tasks; cleans and restocks bathroom facilities; properly disposes of brush trimmings, rubbish, paper, and trash; troubleshoots and makes minor electrical repairs to light fixtures, ballasts, outlets, and related equipment.
- Applies pesticides in accordance with City, State, and federal regulations.
- Performs rough concrete work; repairs or builds concrete pads, ramps, pathways, and walls.
- Installs, inspects, and repairs playground equipment and other related park/recreational equipment; refers to appropriate staff for further attention.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Education and Experience:

- High school graduation or equivalent.
- One (1) year experience in landscaping, irrigation, or equivalent experience.
- One (1) year of paid ground maintenance experience preferred.
- Previous training and education in athletic fields/facilities preferred.
- Ability to secure and maintain a Texas Department of Agriculture Pesticide Application License within one (1) year of hire.
- Possess a valid Texas driver's license.

Desired Skills:

- Knowledge of turf care for various sports.
- Knowledge of special athletic field needs, including field layout, set-up, and maintenance.
- Knowledge of basic facility and equipment maintenance.
- Safety practices, accident prevention techniques, and occupational hazards.
- Safe operation of power tools and equipment commonly used in the performance of park and open space maintenance and construction, and maintenance and repair of small equipment and power and manual tools.
- Principles and practices of horticulture, landscaping; and irrigation systems, controllers, and components.
- Park maintenance work procedures and practices; materials and methods used in the design, construction, installation, maintenance, and repair of parks grounds and structures.
- Plumbing, painting, carpentry, electrical, welding, and structural methods, and practices used in park facilities.
- Principles and practices of customer service.
- Excellent interpersonal skills for interaction with City staff, department staff, and the public.
- Skills and knowledge of irrigation and drainage systems operation, care, repairs, and installation.
- Skills and experience in the digging operation of a small backhoe preferred.
- Ability to provide excellent customer service to the public and other City employees.
- Exercises good judgment in the performance of duties.
- Identify and resolve safety hazards, observing safety principles and working in a safe manner.
- Operating various machinery, equipment, tools, and vehicles related to parks and recreation facilities.
- Possess effective communication skills both verbally and in writing.
- Ability to follow oral and written instructions.
- Ability and willingness to work a flexible schedule which may include evenings (late evenings), weekends, early mornings, and overtime as necessary.
- Ability to perform routine and repetitive activities such as field preparation, sanitation duties, and extended equipment operation such as backpack blower operation.
- Ability to plan and execute assigned work without direct supervision.
- Ability to follow established rules and regulations and operate a variety of equipment in a safe manner.
- Ability and willingness to demonstrate teamwork and cooperation.
- Ability to maintain consistent and punctual attendance.
- Ability to work outdoors in all types of weather conditions.
- Physical abilities to perform assigned work, including adequate hearing, correctable vision, and manual dexterity to operate power equipment safely.
- Ability to perform physical work including operating mechanical equipment for extended periods of time, climbing, and working from ladders and lifts, etc.
- Ability to regularly lift moderately heavy objects up to 50 lbs., including small equipment and supplies. Equipment and materials more than this weight are lifted with assistance.

- Ability to perform routine and semi-skilled tasks in a variety of maintenance and construction activities.
- Ability to perform moderate and heavy physical labor.
- Ability to sit, stand, walk, crouch, lift, push, pull, climb, and carry equipment.

TO APPLY:

Download City of Ennis application online at:

<https://www.ennistx.gov/departments/HumanResources/jobs>. Submit completed application to Human Resources at 107 North Sherman Street, Ennis, TX 75119. Completed applications may be e-mailed to humanresources@ennistx.gov or faxed to (972) 875-2301.

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