

**THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK & PLANNING
COMMISSION**

invites applications for the position of:

**Tree Climber I (HL6,
14219)**

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SALARY: \$37,438.00 - \$64,064.00 Annually

OPENING DATE: 09/04/19

CLOSING DATE: 11/05/19 11:59 PM

DESCRIPTION:

Do you love climbing trees and want to be part of an innovative, award winning Urban Forestry program?

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), a six-time National Recreation and Parks Association Gold Medal Award Winner, is seeking a **Tree Climber I** to work within Montgomery Parks Department. The department serves a diverse population of more than one million residents in Montgomery County, Maryland, and manages 419 parks on more than 37,000 acres of parkland with a career staff of nearly 800 employees. We foster an environment of team work and respect with an ongoing dedication to improvement of performance.

The Climber I position will provide an opportunity to be a part of an innovative team of tree climbers and arborists and advance a career in the field of arboriculture through education, training and on the job experience.

EXAMPLES OF IMPORTANT DUTIES:

1. Climbs trees in accordance with safety requirements (e.g. American National Standards Institute (ANSI) using saddle, ropes, climbing hooks, safety lanyards and other specialized safety equipment.
2. Removes or lowers trees and limbs utilizing ropes, pulleys, lowering devices, and other specialized equipment. Operates chain saws and other specialized equipment in accordance with approved standards to fell and trim unwanted, diseased, hazardous or dead trees.
3. Inspects trees for hazards, safety, and health in accordance to guidelines. Installs and inspects lightning protection, bracing and cabling supports, in accordance with industry standards.
4. Responsible for inspecting equipment before each climb, and ensures equipment is properly secured and accounted for before leaving work site.
5. Cleans and maintains tools and machinery including chainsaws, chippers and aerial lifts.
6. Operates aerial lift equipment including bucket trucks daily.
7. May be required to perform other park maintenance duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. High school diploma or GED, and
2. One year of tree maintenance experience, including six months of tree climbing experience; or
3. An equivalent combination of education and experience.

4. Possession of a Valid Driver's License.

5. Contingent upon area of assignment, some positions in this class may require a Commercial Driver's License (CDL) with appropriate endorsements upon appointment, or during the probationary period.

6. Successfully pass a Commission medical examination.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:
Preferred Qualifications:**

ISA Certified Tree Worker Climber Specialist

Important Worker Characteristics:

A. Knowledge of: (1) Commission organization, policies, and procedures*; (2) standards (e.g. OSHA, MOSH, and ANSI) and specialized equipment used in tree pruning and removal; (3) first aid and CPR; * (4) tree maintenance techniques and related safety practices; and (5) local tree species and related diseases.

B. Skill in operation of: chain saw, chippers, bucket trucks/aerial lifts, hand tools, motor vehicles, two-way radio, and other tree service equipment.

C. Ability to: (1) follow directions; (2) understand a system of procedures; (3) read routine reports and instructions; (4) write routine reports; (5) lift up to 50 pounds; and (6) work consistently at high elevations.

*Developed primarily after employment in this job class.

Working Conditions

Primarily works outdoors. Requires exposure to adverse weather conditions, noise, vibration, dust, and hazardous materials while working at considerable heights. Hazardous conditions exist due to exposure to power tools, power lines, wild animals, stinging insects, poison ivy, oak or sumac, and dead and dangerous trees and limbs. May be required to be on on-call 24 hours in the event of an emergency. Work requires constant bending, lifting, and carrying of heavy objects of up to 50 pounds.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<https://www.mncppc.org/jobs>

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Tree Climber I (HL6, 14219) Supplemental Questionnaire

* 1. Do you have a High School diploma or GED?

Yes No

* 2. Do you have one year of tree maintenance experience, including six months of tree climbing experience?

Yes No

* 3. Do you have an equivalent combination of education and experience?

Yes No

* 4. Do you possess a Valid Driver's License?

Yes No

* Required Question