

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION

Employer: WEX TEMPLATES

Contact:

Supervisor:

Employer Tel:

Website:

Job: Tree Surgeon

Classification: Agricultural & Related Trades

Ref: 13,098

Aims & Objectives: To develop key skills through the experience of work. To gain an insight into the work of a tree surgeon and gardener.

Key Tasks: Students will do a great deal of observation/shadowing of trained staff. Students may after training and only under supervision do simple basic tasks such as labouring and assisting trained staff. In private gardens student may assist in raking, tidying and clearing brushwood, students must stand clear of tree cutting, but may assist in stacking logs etc. Students MUST wear any personal protective equipment/clothing that they are provided with e.g. goggles, hard hats, ear muffs etc. The work is very varied and students must be prepared to work hard as part of a committed team of staff.

Requirements: Must be punctual, poor time keeping is not tolerated as it causes expensive delays in staff movement around jobs. Must be fairly active, fit and healthy (the work can be hard). A love of outdoor life is essential along with a pleasant outgoing personality. Also practical and creative abilities useful.

Clothing: Dress as appropriate for the time of year, bring waterproofs. Steel toe capped boots are required. Boots may be borrowed on deposit from the Careers Service tel: 733044.

Working Hours: Monday - Friday hours as agreed. Not exceeding 37 hours in the week

Meal Breaks: Bring own lunch and drink. Students must have a break of at least 30 minutes.

Interview Required: Y

Student to Arrange: Y

Notes: Student to contact ##### to arrange an interview / informal chat prior to starting the placement.

Employer's Health & Safety Risk Assessment:

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE & AWARENESS:-Students will be supervised at all times. EQUIPMENT & MACHINERY, CHEMICALS & FLAMMABLE MATERIALS:-Students will not operate sit on mowers or tractors or vehicles of any kind (even if passed driving test)Students must not operate machinery or powered equipment. Students may use hand and battery operated tools after instruction and with supervision.Students may use wood chipper after instruction and with supervision. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:-Students must wear any personal protective clothing/equipment they are instructed to, e.g. goggles, hard hats or ear muffs. SLIPS, TRIPS & FALLS:-Students will not work at heights, no ladders or tree climbing. LIFTING & MANUAL HANDLING:-Students will be given training before doing lifting/handling duties. WORKPLACE SPECIFIC HAZARDS:-Students must not spray or mix chemical fertilisers or insecticides etc.Some plants may be poisonous and cause rashes- appropriate instruction to be given.Students must not be in the vicinity of tree felling operations. CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES:-Students will be transported between sites with members of staff. ELECTRICITY:-Safe use of electrical items to be shown.NOTE: Students must have an up to date Tetanus vaccination.

Special Notes:

Parents/Guardians will be expected to give details of any health problems e.g. epilepsy, asthma etc on the agreement form

Last Visit Date:**Next Visit Date:****Risk Band: H**