

FireSmart Laborer

Position Status: Full-time, 12-month Assignment – 35 hours a week
Reports to: FireSmart Coordinator

Definition:

The Village of Pemberton Fire Rescue Department is in search of a highly skilled and energetic individual for the temporary position (12-month assignment) of FireSmart Laborer. Pemberton Fire Rescue Services supports a safe community and enhances the quality of life for the citizens by responding to emergencies to help minimize injuries and loss of life or damage to property. Pemberton Fire Rescue Services also helps to prevent fires and other emergencies through public education and inspections to ensure properties meet fire regulations and other safety requirements.

Reporting to the FireSmart Coordinator, the FireSmart Laborer is responsible for supporting the implementation of the FireSmart program within the Village of Pemberton by working with the FireSmart Coordinator to assist community members in taking steps to FireSmart their homes.

Typical Duties:

- Gear maintenance including daily inspections, cleaning, and general maintenance.
- General yard work including moving firewood, removal of combustible debris, materials, fences, or plants.
- Vegetation management including pruning and brushing, chipping.
- Assist with public education events and messaging.
- Working and traveling in rural and remote areas.
- Will work in various terrain, and inclement weather.
- Attend training or workshops related to FireSmart.

Required Qualifications:

- Grade 12.
- Valid Class 5 Driver's License and be proficient in towing a trailer.
- High level of fitness.
- Knowledge of safe work policies related to equipment, tools and work procedures.
- Ability to understand and effectively carry out oral and written instructions with minimal supervision.
- Able to work effectively and co-operatively within a diverse team to achieve group and organizational goals.
- Demonstrated professionalism and ability to communicate with tact and diplomacy with the public.
- Maintain excellent physical condition and stamina to perform heavy manual outdoor work.

- Ability to work under all-weather types, including heat, cold, rain and snow.
- Ability to be flexible regarding ongoing changes in responsibilities, assignments and corporate structures.
- Able to take in-house training and certification as required.
- Able to work long hours, including weekends.
- Satisfactory Criminal record check.

Preferred Qualifications:

- OFA Level 1.
- Proficient in operating a truck and trailer (including backing and forward operations).
- Experience in the use of brush and chainsaws, ladders, hand tools and other motorized equipment.
- Knowledge and experience in creating safe work zones in traffic with the use of cones and signage.
- FireSmart knowledge and experience.
- Experience and/or education in wildfire management.
- Experience and/or education in Forestry or Biology.