

**CLASS SPECIFICATION**  
**SAN DIEGO CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**TREE MAINTENANCE CREW LEADER - 1968**

**DEFINITION:**

Under direction, to lead a crew and operate motive equipment in the maintenance, removal, and planting of trees; and to perform related work.

**\* EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:**

- Maintains broadleaf trees and palm trees from a hydraulically actuated personnel boom using hand and power tools;
- Removes and plants trees using a winch/crane truck, auger truck, or similar equipment;
- Climbs various types of trees using ropes, slings, saddles, or climbing irons to perform tree surgery, cabling, bracing, and trimming;
- Instructs and leads crew in safe work practices;
- Assumes responsibility for tools and equipment;
- Inspects trees for damage or insect infestation;
- Inspects equipment and makes minor repairs;
- Lubricates and maintains hydraulically actuated hand saws;
- Keeps necessary records and makes reports.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Please note: the minimum qualifications stated below are a guide for determining the education, training, experience, special skills, and/or license which may be required for employment in the class. These are re-evaluated each time the position is opened for recruitment. Please refer to the most recent Job Description for updated minimum qualifications: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sandiego/classspecs>.

Six months of full-time experience performing tree trimming from an aerial tower truck using hand and power equipment; **OR** one year of full-time climbing experience performing tree trimming (30 feet minimum) using ropes and climbing irons, which must include at least one month of aerial tower tree trimming and the use of hand and power equipment. Possession of a valid California Class B Driver's License.

**\* EXAMPLES OF DUTIES** performed by employees in this class. The list may not include all required duties, nor are all listed tasks necessarily performed by everyone in this class.