

**MAINTENANCE HELPER****NATURE OF WORK**

This is semi-skilled manual work assisting journeyman tradesman in the care, maintenance, and repair of University facilities, buildings, and equipment.

Employees of this class assist journeyman tradesmen by performing the least skilled duties of the trade. Work also involves the performance of a variety of maintenance and repair tasks of a utility nature. Work requires a general mechanical ability and aptitude rather than a high degree of skill in any particular trade. Work is usually performed under the supervision of the journeyman.

**ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK**

Assists electrician in the installation of conduits, wires, alarms, motors, switches, and circuit breakers.

Assists carpenter in the repair and maintenance of doors, frames, checks and locks, door closers, floor and ceiling tiles, and the fabrication of window boxes.

Assists plumber in the cutting, threading and bending of pipes, repairing or replacing of taps, valves, traps, and other plumbing fixtures.

Assists painter in the erection and dismantling of interior and exterior scaffolding, preparation of surfaces for painting, stirring paint, and cleaning up after job.

Assists locksmith in the installation, replacement, maintenance or repair of a variety of locks.

Assists control men in the maintenance, replacement or repair of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning control systems.

Performs standard maintenance tasks in the upkeep and operation of swimming pool equipment; backwashes filters; tests pool water for chlorine and PH; operates chlorinator, and adds chemicals as required.

Ensures that mechanical, electrical rooms and penthouse areas are maintained in a clean and respectable condition; cleans, oils, and stores shop tools and equipment.

Operates motor vehicle to transport tradesmen and material to and from work site.

Performs related work as required.

## **REQUIREMENTS OF WORK**

Some experience in performing varied maintenance and repair tasks; graduation from high school; or any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the following knowledge, abilities, and skills:

Some knowledge of the tools, materials, methods, and practices used in general maintenance and repair work.

Some knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions in maintenance work.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to operate a motor vehicle.

Possession of a valid Province of Newfoundland and Labrador driver's license.

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