

# **University System of Maryland**

**Job Class Specification** 

TITLE: SPORT TURF TECHNICIAN

FLSA: NONEXEMPT

EE06: H70

IPEDS-SOC: Q-373011

JOB CODE: N09SPU
JOB TYPE: SYSTEMWIDE

JOB FAMILY/SERIES: PHP MNT

APPROVED BY: Chancellor's Designee:

James Sansbury, Acting Director of Human Resources

EFFECTIVE DATE: 1/9/2003

#### JOB SUMMARY

Under general supervision, performs activities to ensure readiness and safety of fields/turf for athletic events such as preparing, fertilizing, seeding and caring for athletic fields, turf fields, sports fields and/or golf courses. Operates medium and heavy-duty equipment. Work requires comprehensive knowledge of field/turf maintenance and NCAA regulations for marking athletic fields.

### PRIMARY DUTIES

- 1. Prepares playing fields and ensures their readiness and safety for athletic events.
- 2. Performs layout and marking of playing surfaces in accordance with NCAA requirements.
- 3. Measures, mixes and applies fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides on athletic fields.
- 4. Operates and performs minor repairs to irrigation system on athletic fields.
- 5. Operates and maintains equipment including tractors, front-end loaders, turf sprayers, spreaders and mowers to maintain athletic fields.
- 6. Maintains chemical application log in compliance with State of MD requirements.

Note: The intent of this list of primary duties is to provide a representative summary of the major duties and responsibilities of this job. Incumbents perform other related duties assigned. Specific duties and responsibilities may vary based upon departmental needs.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION: High School Diploma or GED

EXPERIENCE: Three years in maintenance of academic or professional sport fields and/or golf courses to include three years in the operation of commercial or industrial-sized grounds care equipment.

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OTHER:

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS/ABILITIES

Extensive knowledge of all aspects of athletic field maintenance, including, but not limited to, growing characteristics, warm and cool season grasses, recognition of and appropriate treatment of diseases, pests and weeds, technical equipment and NCAA requirements for layout and lining of playing surfaces. Ability to read, write and perform mathematical calculations; to follow oral and written instructions; to communicate effectively; to operate and perform minor maintenance on assigned tools and equipment; to perform physical work requiring bending, stooping, reaching, carrying, heavy lifting; to work outdoors in adverse weather conditions; to wear and work in personal protective equipment.

OTHER: Except for qualifications established by law, additional related experience and formal education in which one has gained the knowledge, skills, and abilities required for full performance of the work of the job class may be substituted for the education or experience requirement on a year-for-year basis with 30 college credits being equivalent to one year of experience.

### CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

Valid Maryland driver's license may be required. Certification by the State of MD as a pesticides and/or herbicides applicator may be required. Candidates selected for employment may be subject to medical inquiries and/or medical examinations to determine ability to perform the job. Employees in this job class may be subject to pre-employment drug testing.