

# Position Description – Arboriculture

## Full Time (38 hrs a week)

### Position Requirements

This apprenticeship is full time and has a 36 month term, with training to be completed on the job.

Duties include:

- Fell large trees
- Implement a tree pruning program
- Remove trees in confined spaces
- Perform specialist amenity pruning
- Maintain and monitor environmental work practices
- Undertake aerial rescue
- Control plant pests, diseases and disorders
- Install cable and bracing
- Undertake complex tree climbing
- Implement a tree protection program
- Implement a tree maintenance program
- Prepare and apply chemicals
- Transport, handle and store chemicals
- Co-ordinate machinery and equipment maintenance and repair
- Use and maintain electronic mail system

### Personal Requirements

- enjoy practical and mechanical work
- able to undertake manual and heavy work
- able to work for long hours
- able to work outdoors in all sorts of weather conditions

### Equipment Used:

Chainsaws	Pruning saws
Rope & Harnesses	Spurs
Traffic Management signage	Tree loppers

### Workplace Health & Safety Typical Hazards:

Chemical Usage / Exposure	High Traffic Areas (Vehicles)
Dangerous Machinery	Loud Noise
Frequent Stretching and Reaching	Manual Lifting
Heavy Loads	

### General Job Related Information

Arborists grow and maintain trees in a variety of environments including tree nurseries, plantations, power-line clearance areas and parks. The work may include tree-climbing techniques and use of associated equipment, pruning programs and tree maintenance.