

STATE OF DELAWARE
REGIONAL FORESTER, SENIOR FORESTER,
FORESTER
Department of Agriculture – Forest Service
PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Job Title: Regional Forester; Senior Forester; Forester
Department: Department of Agriculture
Division: Forest Service
Class Codes: MGCF01, MGCF02, MGCF03
BP #s: 00011388, 00011389, 00011401, 00011402, 00011404, 00056777, 00064990,
00065638, 00066153, 00068248

JOB DESCRIPTION: Regional Foresters, Senior Foresters and Foresters work in the areas of forest conversation, forest protection and forest education. Forest conservation helps private landowners and communities to better manage forest resources through expert forestry consultation regarding activities such as reforestation, timber stand improvement, forest management plans, and timber harvests. Forest protection involves monitoring and improving the health of forests through wildfire prevention and suppression, forest health monitoring and forest watershed protection. Forest education includes but is not limited to school, civic and other organization programs and educating landowners and loggers to ensure forest management activities follow Best Management Practices and comply with erosion and sediment laws. The forest service manages the State of Delaware forests for a variety of objectives including timber production, wildlife habitat enhancement, forest management demonstration and recreational opportunities.

JOB SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS: Must be able to follow directions and use tools and equipment such as GPS devices, clinometers, prisms, compasses and increment borers; also, must be able to drive standard or automatic vehicles such as pickup trucks.

JOB CLASSIFICATION: This job is classified as “light” as it occasionally requires exerting 50 pounds of force to perform the various forestry functions involved in the areas of forest conversation, forest protection and forest education.

PHYSICAL JOB REQUIREMENTS:

To receive consideration for these positions all Regional Foresters, Senior Foresters, and Foresters for the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture must be able to perform the following essential physical job functions daily:

- The physical ability to stand, sit or walk frequently.

- The physical ability to drive vehicles, with either standard or automatic transmissions, for up to 2 hours or more per day.
- The physical ability to use both hands for frequent fingering and occasional simple grasping.
- The physical ability to frequently carry up to and including 25 pounds of weight for distances of up to 2 miles in various weather conditions and across various surfaces.
- The physical ability to rarely carry over 25 pounds of weight for distances up to 50 feet, in various weather conditions and across various surfaces.
- The physical ability to occasionally lift up to and including 50 pounds of weight between the floor and the waist. This weight will be constituted by the following items, but not limited to them: equipment, tools, firefighting tools, etc.
- The physical ability to work on uneven surfaces continuously.
- The physical ability to work outdoors in all temperatures and weather conditions.
- The physical ability to work around loud and constant noise continuously.
- The physical ability to tolerate Nomex shirts/pants and fire boots for firefighting purposes.
- The physical ability to tolerate required personal protective equipment such as fire shelter pack, safety/fire boots, work gloves, safety glasses, ear protection, safety vests, hard hats, and face shields.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the above physical requirements of the Regional Forester, Senior Forester and Forester for the Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture. I have also been given the opportunity to ask any questions I may have regarding the physical demands required of this position. I further understand that if I am offered this position, I will be required to take a functional capabilities evaluation (FCE) to determine if I can safely perform the required tasks without risk to myself or others.

PRINTED NAME _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

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