



LEAD GROUNDSKEEPER, CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (CF)

Final Filing Date: Continuous

OPEN

AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

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EXAMINATION BASE

DEPARTMENTAL FOR:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION (CDCR)

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated below.

NOTE: Candidates may test for this classification once in a 12-month period. Candidates who participated in the previous examination administration within the last 12 months regardless of the final examination results, cannot participate in this examination administration.

HOW TO APPLY

Submit Examination Application (Std. Form 678) **and** Qualifications Assessment

By mail to:
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Office of Workforce Planning
P.O. Box 942883
Sacramento, CA 94283-0001

or In person at:
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
1515 S Street
Sacramento, CA 95811-7243
Attn: Office of Workforce Planning, 101N
(916) 322-2545

If you are personally delivering your application and Qualifications Assessment, you must do so between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **5:00 p.m.**, Monday through Friday, to the same street address as listed above.

Qualifications Assessments for Lead Groundskeeper, CF are available from the CDCR website at: http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Career_Opportunities/HR/OPS/Exams/Exams_Open/index.html or in person at the street address listed above.

NOTE: Only applications with an original signature will be accepted.

APPLICATION DEADLINE/ REQUIREMENTS

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis and applicants will be tested as needed.

TEST DATE

Candidates must complete and return the Lead Groundskeeper, CF Qualifications Assessment along with his/her Examination Application (Std. Form 678). Candidates who meet the "Minimum Qualifications" will have their Qualifications Assessment rated.

SALARY RANGE(S)

As of: **October 25, 2017**

\$3,367 - \$4,240

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Three years of experience in propagating, planting, and cultivating flowers and shrubs, and in general grounds maintenance work.

(Completion of a recognized course of study in landscape gardening or landscape design may be substituted for two years of the required experience.)

Special Physical Characteristics: Persons appointed to positions in this class must be reasonably expected to have and maintain sufficient strength, agility, and endurance to perform during stressful (physical, mental, and emotional) situations encountered on the job without compromising their health and well-being or that of their fellow employees or that of inmates. Assignments during tour of duty may include sole responsibility for the supervision of inmates and/or the protection of personal and real property.

OUT-OF-CLASS EXPERIENCE: A "completion of an out-of-class assignment" memorandum, dated within one year of assignment completion, is required to use as out-of-class experience to meet the minimum qualifications for examination purposes. Employees may obtain this documentation from his/her Institutional Personnel Officer/Personnel Liaison. Out-of-class experience without required documentation will not be considered for examination purposes.

EXAMINATION PLAN

EXAMINATION INTERVIEWS WILL NOT BE HELD. This examination will consist of a Qualifications Assessment weighted 100%. To obtain a position on the eligible list, applicants must achieve a minimum rating of 70.00% on the Qualifications Assessment.

**EXAMINATION
PLAN (CONTINUED)**

The Qualifications Assessment is designed to elicit a range of specific information regarding each candidate's knowledge, skill, abilities, and potential to effectively perform the duties relative to the classification. Candidates who meet the "Minimum Qualifications" will have their Qualifications Assessment rated and successful candidates will be placed on an eligible list. **SUBMISSION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS ASSESSMENT IS MANDATORY.** Candidates who do not submit a completed Qualifications Assessment will be eliminated from this examination.

Qualifications Assessment -- Weighted 100.00%

Scope: Emphasis in the examination will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each candidate's:

A. Knowledge of:

1. Methods, materials, and equipment used in propagating, planting, cultivating, spraying, and otherwise caring for flowers, shrubs, lawns, and trees.
2. Flowers, shrubs, and ornamental and shade trees commonly grown in California, and their planting and growing requirements.
3. Plant pests and diseases and methods of their control and eradication.
4. The Department's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Program objectives.
5. A manager's role in the EEO Program and the processes available to meet EEO objectives.

B. Skill in:

1. Budding, grafting, pruning, and flower gardening work.

C. Ability to:

1. Lay out ornamental flower beds and borders.
2. Follow oral and written directions.
3. Supervise the work of a group of groundskeepers.
4. Deal tactfully with the public.
5. Read and write at a level appropriate to the classification.
6. Effectively contribute to the Department's EEO objectives.

The Job Analysis identifies job duties and job requirements for the classification and may be referenced in preparing for the examination. The Job Analysis for the Lead Groundskeeper, CF is available on the CDCR website at: http://www.cdcr.ca.gov/Career_Opportunities/HR/OPS/Exams/Analysis/index.html

**ELIGIBLE LIST
INFORMATION**

The resulting eligible list will be established to fill vacancies for CDCR.

Names of successful candidates are merged onto the list in order of final scores, regardless of date. Eligibility may be abolished after **12** months of establishment, with no further notice to the eligible. For future examinations, visit www.jobs.ca.gov.

**POSITION
DESCRIPTION AND
LOCATION(S)**

A Lead Groundskeeper, CF, under direction, in a State correctional facility in CDCR, propagates and cares for flowers and ornamental plants in a large greenhouse and nursery and lays out, plants, and cares for flowers and ornamental plants and shrubs; or works with and is in charge of a small crew doing gardening and general grounds maintenance work; maintains order and supervises the conduct of inmates/youthful offenders; protects and maintains the safety of persons and property; instructs, leads or supervises inmates/youthful offenders; and does other related work.

Positions exist statewide with CDCR.

**SPECIAL TESTING
ARRANGEMENTS**

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box on the "Examination Application." You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

**VETERANS'
PREFERENCE/
CAREER CREDITS**

Veterans' Preference will be granted in this examination. Veterans who have achieved permanent civil service status are not eligible to receive Veterans' Preference. Career credits will not be granted in this examination.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applications are available at CDCR, California Department of Human Resources (CalHR), and Employment Development Department offices. To create a CalCareer account and obtain an application, visit www.jobs.ca.gov. With an account, you can take state civil service examinations, store different versions of your application, apply for vacancies at 150 departments, track your application status and save your resume all in one place.

Veterans' Preference: California law allows the granting of Veterans' Preference in any **Open** examination. In accordance with Government Code Sections 18973.1 and 18973.5, Veterans' Preference will be awarded as follows: 1) any veteran, widow or widower of a veteran, or spouse of a 100% disabled veteran, who achieves a passing score in an open examination, shall be ranked in the top rank of the resulting eligibility list. Any veteran who has been dishonorably discharged or released is not eligible for Veterans' Preference; 2) Veterans' Preference is not granted once a person achieves permanent civil service status.

Directions to apply for Veterans' Preference are available at the CalHR's website by clicking on the following link: <https://jobs.ca.gov/CalHRPublic/Landing/Veterans.aspx>. Additional information can also be found at the California Department of Veterans Affairs at www.calvet.ca.gov/veteran-services-benefits/employment.

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned changed. Such revisions will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

Examination Locations: If this examination requires a written test and/or oral interview, they will be scheduled throughout the State at the correctional institutions, youth facilities, and/or parole regions. However, locations of the written test and/or oral interview may be limited or extended as conditions change.

**GENERAL INFORMATION
(CONTINUED)**

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by a competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional; 2) departmental promotional; 3) multidepartmental promotional; 4) servicewide promotional; 5) departmental open; 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first.

If you meet the requirements stated in this bulletin, you may take this examination. Possession of the entrance requirement(s) does not assure success in the examination or placement on the employment list. All candidates who pass the examination described in this bulletin will be ranked according to their scores.

General Qualifications: Competitors must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination and fingerprinting may be required. In open examinations, an investigation may be made of employment records and personal history.

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

ONLY INDIVIDUALS LAWFULLY AUTHORIZED TO WORK IN THE UNITED STATES WILL BE HIRED

FOR CURRENT CDCR TESTING INFORMATION CALL (916) 322-2545
Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS): DIAL 7-1-1
www.cdcr.ca.gov

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