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## Auburn University Job Description

Job Title: **Pesticide Applicator**

Job Family: No Family

Job Code: **NA38**

Grade FM10 \$34,400 - \$48,200

FLSA status: Non-exempt

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### Job Summary

Under general supervision, applies pesticides, fertilizers, and other chemicals throughout University properties and grounds.

### Essential Functions

1. Determines and applies appropriate pesticides, fertilizers, colorant, and/or cultural control methods according to label recommendations.
2. Oversees calibration of equipment, sprayers, and fertilizer spreaders; reads and interprets pesticide labels.
3. Maintains state-required records pertaining to pesticide application and usage.
4. Inspects grounds including turf, trees, and shrub beds for weeds, insects, and/or disease.
5. Conducts soil tests and interprets the results to identify the proper levels and rates of chemical application.
6. Cleans and maintains pesticide and fertilizer application equipment.
7. Orders and purchases pesticides as needed.
8. Assists with university landscape projects as needed.
9. May be responsible for meeting and maintaining training and certification requirements as outlined by the applicable department's training and credentialing requirements.
10. May perform other related duties as assigned.

### Supervisory Responsibility

*The above essential functions are representative of major duties of positions in this job classification. Specific duties and responsibilities may vary based upon departmental needs. Other duties may be assigned similar to the above consistent with the knowledge, skills and abilities required for the job. Not all of the duties may be assigned to a position.*

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### Minimum Required Education and Experience

	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Focus of Education/Experience</u>
<b>Education</b>	High School	High School Diploma or equivalent
<b>Experience (yrs.)</b>	4	Experience in pesticide application.

#### Substitutions allowed for Education:

Indicated education is required; no substitutions allowed.

#### Substitutions allowed for Experience:

Indicated experience is required; no substitutions allowed.

### Minimum Required Knowledge

Knowledge of terminology, use, and application methods of pesticides and fertilizers. Knowledge of safety regulations related to pesticides/fertilizers and their applications. General knowledge of plants, shrubs, trees, turf types, and weeds.

### Certification or Licensure Requirements

Valid driver's license. Must obtain OTPC or OTPS within the first 6 months of employment.

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### Physical Requirements/ADA

Regularly involves lifting, bending or other physical exertion. Often exposed to one or more elements such as heat, cold, noise, dust, dirt, chemicals, etc., with one often to the point of being objectionable. Injuries may require professional treatment.

Routine deadlines; usually sufficient lead time; variance in work volume seasonal and predictable; priorities can be anticipated; some interruptions are present; involves occasional exposure to demands and pressures from persons other than immediate supervisor.

Job frequently requires standing, walking, handling objects with hands, and lifting up to 50 pounds.

Job occasionally requires sitting, reaching, climbing or balancing, stooping/kneeling/crouching/crawling, talking, hearing, and lifting more than 100 pounds.

Vision requirements: Ability to see information in print and/or electronically.

Date: 1/17/2020

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