

Job Description - Tractor Driver - Fineshade (PB6b)

Job summary

You will drive a tractor undertaking mowing of open areas, rides and track edges, flailing bramble and other woody material, using a range of tractor mounted implements (mowers, side arm flails, mulchers and grip-cleaners).

Key responsibilities & accountabilities

- Operate the district tractor to carry out a range operation including mowing & flailing of roadside, rides and open space.
- Maintain a high standard, meeting health and safety and environmental guidance.
- Work effectively as part of a small team, responding quickly to unexpected work and issues raised by the forester or forestry works supervisor.
- Maintain, restore, and create various habitats for ecological benefit and to improve the landscape.
- Maintain the tractor and implements to a high standard, undertaking minor repairs as needed and working closely with mechanical engineering, reporting mechanical problems in a timely manner.
- Represent Forestry England well when talking to contractors, customers, visitors, stakeholders and when working with volunteers.

And any other tasks, reasonably requested by your line manager.

Skills, knowledge & experience

Essential professional and technical experience

- Experience of operating a tractor.
- Experience of practical work in the countryside and a general understanding of forestry, nature conservation and countryside-related issues.
- Familiarity with a variety of tools used for maintaining the tractor and ability to demonstrate competence in their use.
- Full UK driving license.
- Experience with tractor mounted implements

Qualifications

Essential

- a GCSE in Maths and English or functional skills equivalent.

Desirable

- Qualification in first aid at work or willing to be suitably trained.
- NPTC forest machine operator's certificate in base machine (wheeled ridged).
- NPTC forest machine operator's certificate in mechanical flails and mulchers.