

**City of New York  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

REPOST

**Citywide Job Vacancy Notice**

<b>Civil Service Title:</b> Gardener	<b>Level:</b> 02
<b>Title Code No:</b> 81310	<b>Annual Salary:</b> \$47,053 / \$54,111 - \$58,258
<b>Office Title:</b> Gardener	<b>Work Location:</b> Brooklyn or Queens, NY
<b>Division/Work Unit:</b> Green Infrastructure/ NYC Department of Parks & Recreation	<b>Number of Positions:</b> 3
<b>Hours/Shift:</b> 40 Hours per Week/Day	<b>Agency Tracking #:</b> N/A

**Job Description**

As the steward of more than 29,000 acres of parkland, the Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) is a recognized leader and innovator of public spaces. The DPR has partnered with the Department of Environmental Protection to construct and maintain green infrastructure systems, primarily in the right of way. These systems combine engineered storm water capture with the natural system of soils and plants, and require particular and specialized care and maintenance. As a Gardener, the selected candidates will plant and cultivate trees, flowers and shrubs within green infrastructure installations; prepare soil and seed beds; grade, weed, and mulch; select and order plants and supplies; operate and maintain Parks & Recreation equipment and watering system; supervise employees and volunteers and instruct them in proper gardening techniques and all aspects of general green infrastructure maintenance; maintain records and prepare written reports; and interact with staff and the public in a courteous and professional manner.

**Qualification Requirements**

**For Assignment Level I**

1. One year of full-time experience in gardening work, including experience in each of the following: planting, cultivating and caring for trees, plants, shrubs and lawns; *or*
2. A certificate from a horticulture or botanic program containing college-level courses, such as programs offered by the New York Botanical Garden, the Brooklyn Botanical Garden, etc.; *or*
3. A satisfactory combination of education and/or experience that is equivalent to "1" above. Thirty semester credits from an accredited college, at least fifteen of which must be in horticulture, agriculture, agronomy, plant pathology, botany, landscape design or architecture, entomology, forestry, floriculture, plant production and/or crop management, may be substituted for the one year of the work experience described in "1" above.

**License Requirement**

A motor vehicle driver license valid in New York State. This license must be maintained for the duration of employment.

**Additional requirements for Assignment Level-II**

Candidates must have one additional year of satisfactory, full-time experience in gardening work, including experience in each of the following areas: propagating, planting, cultivating, and caring for trees, plants, shrubs and lawns.

**Commercial Pesticide Applicator - Category 3A License Requirement**

To be appointed or assigned to Gardener - Assignment Level II, candidates must have a Commercial Pesticide Applicator - Category 3A License issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. This license must be maintained for duration of employment.

**PREFERRED SKILLS**

Knowledge of Green Infrastructure maintenance techniques and systems, understanding of native plant care, knowledge of landscape-based stormwater systems, and experience organizing, scheduling and overseeing work of other staff.

**To Apply:**

Please submit 2 copies of your resume placing the JVN# on the upper right corner of your resume.

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NYC Department of Environmental Protection

Recruitment Office: 59-17 Junction Boulevard -18<sup>th</sup> Floor - Flushing - NY 11373-5108

*OR*

Via E-mail, please submit your resume in Adobe PDF or Microsoft Word placing the JVN# on the upper right corner of your resume as well as in the subject line to:

[Recruit@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:Recruit@dep.nyc.gov)

For more information about DEP, visit us at: [www.nyc.gov/dep](http://www.nyc.gov/dep)

Residency restrictions apply to this position.

Appointments are subject to OMB approval.

**Post Date:** 5/18/2012

**Post Until:** 6/8/2012

**JVN:** 826-12-99973-GI