



CITY OF TORRANCE
invites applications for the position of:

PEST CONTROL TECHNICIAN

SALARY:	\$24.70 - \$28.56 Hourly \$4,281.33 - \$4,950.40 Monthly \$51,376.00 - \$59,404.80 Annually
DEPARTMENT:	Public Works
DIVISION:	Streetscape
OPENING DATE:	02/24/21
CLOSING DATE:	Continuous
DESCRIPTION:	

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis until the position is filled.
Prompt application submissions are encouraged as the filing period may close at any time.

Under direction, mixes sprays and applies appropriate chemical solutions to control weeds, pests, insects, and diseases; provides training and functional guidance to maintenance personnel on the safe application of chemical solutions for weed, disease and pest control; maintains accurate records and develops and submits scheduled reports on pesticide use to regulatory agencies; researches and reports on pesticide issues and new chemical solutions; updates departmental policies and procedures on the safe application of pesticides; and performs related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES

The following duties represent the principal job duties; however they may vary depending upon actual assignment and are not all-inclusive.

- Inspects areas and consults with supervisor relative to schedules, methods, chemicals, materials and formulas to be used and areas to be sprayed;
- Safely mixes and applies chemical solutions to control weeds, pests, diseases and insects on trees, plants, shrubs, grasses and other flora;
- Sprays ponds and similar areas to control the growth of mosquito and other insect populations;
- Effectively applies regulations, policies and procedures related to area of assignment;
- Provides functional training to maintenance workers on the appropriate methods for mixing and applying chemical solutions to control pests, weeds and diseases;
- Researches and reports on issues and new chemical control applications;
- Updates departmental policies and procedures on the safe application of pesticides;
- Develops and maintains accurate records on pesticide use; completes and submits scheduled reports to regulatory agencies;
- Implements required tasks and duties as mandated by State and Federal regulations and prepares and submits required reports in a timely and accurate manner;

- Acts as the liaison for the City and coordinates with vendors and outside agencies to ensure compliance with regulations, policies and procedures related to the application of chemical solutions to control weeds, pests, insects and diseases;
- Safely operates a vehicle towing spray equipment using defensive driving practices;
- Safely operates power driven spray equipment; and disassembles, maintains and repairs spray apparatus including spray guns and hose and reel assembly.

QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES:

Education and Experience

Any combination of education and experience that would provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and skills would be:

Formal or informal education which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance; and a minimum of three (3) years of responsible experience in the identification, mixing and use of chemical solutions to address weed, disease and pest control or two (2) years of experience successfully performing landscape maintenance work.

License and/or Certificates

Valid California class C driver's license; and

Valid California Department of Pesticide Regulations Qualified Applicator Certificate or Qualified Applicator License (Landscape Maintenance - Category B)

In addition to the minimum requirements, successful candidates will have general knowledge of computer and internet use.

HOW TO APPLY & EXAM PROCESS:

Interested candidates must submit an online application and supplemental questionnaire at www.TorranceCA.Gov/Jobs. Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis until the position is filled. Prompt application submissions are encouraged as the filing period may close at any time. **First review of applications will be those received by Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.**

Only those candidates who best meet the City and Department's needs will be invited to participate in the testing process, which will consist of the following components and tentative dates:

Written Exam - 30% (test date to be determined)

Oral Exam - 70% (test date to be determined)

SPECIAL NOTES:

Applicants with disabilities who require special testing arrangements **must** contact Human Resources prior to the test component dates.

As a condition of employment, applicants will be required to pass a pre-employment medical examination, and a background investigation.

In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between TME-AFSCME and the City of Torrance, new employees covered under that memorandum shall become members in good standing and pay the required service fee to said Local.

The provisions of this announcement do not constitute an expressed or implied contract, and any provisions contained in this announcement may be modified or revoked without notice.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://www.TorranceCA.Gov/Jobs>

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PEST CONTROL TECHNICIAN Supplemental Questionnaire

- * 1. How many years of experience do you have in identification, mixing and use of chemicals to address weed, disease and pest control?
 - none to one year
 - one to three years
 - more than three years
- * 2. How much experience do you have in performing landscape maintenance work?
 - none to one year
 - one to two years
 - more than two years
- * 3. Do you have a State of California Qualified Applicator Certificate (QAC)?
 - Yes No
- 4. If you have a QAC, what is your certificate number and expiration date?
- * 5. Do you have a State of California Qualified Applicator License (QAL)?
 - Yes No
- * 6. If yes, what is your license number and expiration date?
- * 7. Do you possess a valid California driver's license?
 - Yes
 - No
- * Required Question