

PLACEMENT DESCRIPTION

Employer: WEX TEMPLATES**Contact:****Supervisor:****Employer Tel:****Website:****Job:** General Assistant Gardener**Classification:** Agricultural & Related Trades**Ref:** 13,041

Aims & Objectives: To develop key skills through the experience of work
To gain an insight into the work of a landscape gardener

Key Tasks: Students will do a great deal of observation/shadowing of trained staff
Students may after training and only under supervision do simple basic tasks such as labouring and assisting trained staff
Students MUST wear any personal protective equipment/clothing that they are provided with e.g. goggles, hard hats, ear muffs etc.
The work is very varied and students must be prepared to work hard as part of a committed team of staff
NOTE: Address for work will vary

Requirements: Must be punctual, poor time keeping is not tolerated as it causes expensive delays in staff movement around jobs. Must be fairly active, fit and healthy (the work can be hard). A love of outdoor life is essential along with a pleasant outgoing personality. Also practical and creative abilities useful.

Clothing: Students to wear old work clothes as the work can be dirty and MUST wear steel toe capped boots (these can be borrowed from the Careers Service if required on deposit tel:706567) Bring waterproof jacket & trousers if possible. Sun cream and a hat may be required depending on the time of year.

Working Hours: Monday - Friday 8.00am - 4.30pm

Meal Breaks: 30 minutes - 1 hour depending on the site, (take packed lunch & flask/drink NOTE: students doing manual work get VERY hungry, please bring more food than normally taken to school)

Interview Required: Y

Student to Arrange: N

Notes: Student to contact employer to arrange an interview / informal chat prior to starting the placement.

Employer's Health & Safety Risk Assessment:

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE & AWARENESS: Students will be supervised at all times

EQUIPMENT & MACHINERY: Students will not operate sit on mowers or tractors

Students must not operate machinery or powered equipment

Students may use hand and battery operated tools after instruction and with supervision.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT: Students must wear any personal protective clothing/equipment they are instructed to, e.g. goggles, hard hats or ear muffs

SLIPS, TRIPS & FALLS: Students will not work at heights heights.(No working from ladders or climbing trees)

LIFTING & MANUAL HANDING: Students will be given training before doing lifting/handling duties (nothing above 20kgs)

Students must have an up to date Tetanus vaccination.

CHEMICALS & FLAMMABLE MATERIALS: Students must not spray or mix chemical fertilisers or insecticides etc.

WORKPLACE SPECIFIC HAZARDS: Some plants may be poisonous and cause rashes appropriate instruction to be given.Students must not be in the vicinity of tree felling operations

CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES: Students will be transported between sites with members of staff

Special Notes:

Parents/Guardians will be expected to give details of any health problems e.g. epilepsy, asthma etc on the agreement form

Last Visit Date:

Next Visit Date:

Risk Band: M