



Status: Hourly
Title: Agricultural Technician
Department: Farm
Reports to: Farm Manager

Job Code: TBA

Position Summary:

The Agricultural Technician works under the direction of the Farm Manager and is primarily responsible for the safe operation, control and inspection of assigned equipment such as tractors, supply trucks, all terrain vehicles (ATVs), fertilizer trucks, etc. The Agricultural Technician will spend most of their time in crop production and/or maintenance activities.

Essential Functions:

- Responsible to acquire, learn and practice all LBI SOPs (Safe Operating Procedures) and comply with LBI and industry equipment standards as well as safety regulations pertinent to the department, equipment and job functions at all times.
- Prepare land for crops through the safe operation of assigned vehicles, mechanized devices or equipment such as: tractors, etc. with attached implements to mow, disc, plant, clear, cultivate, fertilize, chop, aerate and spray.
- Observe, inspect and listen to machinery operation to detect any equipment malfunction, and remove obstruction to avoid damage to machinery, crop or product.
- Perform daily equipment maintenance/cleaning and inspections and report deficiencies to supervisor. Check calibration and operation of tractor implements. Maintain equipment cleanliness and ensure a safe work environment at all times.
- Apply various kinds of agricultural chemicals such as herbicides, pesticides, soil fumigants and fertilizers.
- Maintain open and positive communications with all other team members and supervisors.
- Keep records of assigned projects and communicate with supervisor on identified problems, status and completion.
- Perform hand labor as needed

Education/Experience Requirements:

- Six months or more experience as an equipment operator utilizing heavy and/or complex farm equipment.
- Minimum three years' experience in row crop production.



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- Ability to read, write and perform basic arithmetic calculations.
- High school diploma or GED preferred.
- Valid Florida driver's license.

Physical Requirements:

While performing the duties of this job, the individual is subject to hazards such as proximity to moving mechanical parts, electrical current, natural/methane gas or exposure to chemicals. The individual is regularly required to sit for prolonged periods and use abdominal and lower back muscles to support part of the body repeatedly or continuously over time without "giving out" or fatiguing. Physical strength is required due to lifting equipment, moving large bulky items, opening/closing gates, loading and unloading bags of chemicals, barrels, water, etc. Individual is required to climb or balance; walk on uneven, slippery or erratically moving surfaces, stoop, kneel, crouch, twist, push, reach, grasp and pull and must be able to work on overhead projects. Vision abilities required by this job include close, distance and peripheral vision. Spatial orientation is needed when working in wide-open pastures and wooded terrain on large pieces of equipment. Will operate machinery on rough and uneven surfaces on a regular basis and may work in extreme heat or cold temperature conditions. Position will routinely be required to lift, carry, push or pull up to 50 lbs.