

APPRENTICESHIP AND OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION

Board Order

This is an order of the New Brunswick Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Board made pursuant to section 13 of the Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act.

Title:	Tasks, Activities and Functions of a Designated Occupation
Category:	Voluntary
Occupation:	Utility Arborist
Board Order Number:	V186.1
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SCOPE OF THE OCCUPATION

The utility arborist occupation includes

- (a) the planning for the removal and pruning of woody plants and trees in proximity to energized electrical apparatuses and removing and pruning the plants and trees;
- (b) the climbing of trees and working at heights in proximity to energized electrical apparatuses;
- (c) the clearing of vegetation in proximity to energized electrical apparatuses;
- (d) the controlling of underbrush in proximity to energized electrical apparatuses;
- (e) the operating and maintaining of aerial devices and vegetation management equipment such as; chippers, chain saws, brush saws, pole saws, bucket trucks and skidders;
- (f) the hoisting and rigging of trees and limbs;
- (g) the application of pesticides/herbicides to woody plants and trees in proximity to energized electrical apparatuses;
- (h) the interpretation of documentation such as maps, charts, and work plans;
- (i) the identification of woody plants and trees species their decay and diseases;
- (j) the developing of good customer relations;
- (k) the response to emergency situations during power outages to clear downed trees off electrical infrastructure;
- (l) the emergency response planning, aerial rescue, bucket evacuation and extraction; and
- (m) the maintaining of a working knowledge of operating regulations, working clearances, and safety regulations.