

Jurisdiction: Oneida County Villages  
Jurisdictional Class: Non-Competitive\*  
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(Title Change from "Lineman")

## **LINE WORKER**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This work consists of erection, installation and maintenance of overhead and underground electric power distribution lines. Work requires climbing of poles in all kinds of weather conditions and rigid observance of safety precautions to prevent personal injuries. Work is performed under general super-vision of a Line Supervisor or other supervisor and inspected while in progress and upon completion. Supervision may be exercised over Line Helpers or Laborers.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:** (Illustrative Only)

Digs holes, sets and guys poles for electric power distribution wires;  
Strings electric power lines on poles and through underground conduits;  
Installs crossarms and erects transformers on power poles;  
Repairs damage done to electric distribution lines by storms;  
Trims and prunes trees in the path of transmission cables;  
Installs and maintains street lighting fixtures;  
Runs services lines from transformers on poles to homes and buildings;  
Installs cutouts, fuses, electric lights, arresters, and insulators and transformer;  
May perform maintenance work connected with other municipal public work activities, when not working as a Line Worker;  
May drive a truck in performance of duties;  
May read electric and water meters.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

Good knowledge of the basic principles of electricity; good knowledge of practices of installation and maintenance of electric distribution systems; good knowledge of standard safety measures and devices in handling high voltage electrical circuits; ability to use tools and equipment of the trade; ability to follow oral and written instructions; ability to climb poles and towers; ability to splice wires and cables; steady nerves.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma **AND** two (2) years of experience as a Line Helper; or similar work.

**NOTE:** Verifiable part-time experience will be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements.

**\*NOTE:** This position is Non-Competitive for selected Villages only.