

# Washington Power Line Clearance & Tree Trimming

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**WEB-SITE** [www.nwpowerlinetretrimmer.org](http://www.nwpowerlinetretrimmer.org)

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### **TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:**

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| <b>AVERAGE WAGES:</b> | 1 <sup>st</sup> Step | approx. 6 months | \$19.58/hr |
|                       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Step | approx. 6 months | \$20.89/hr |
|                       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Step | approx. 6 months | \$22.19/hr |
|                       | 4 <sup>th</sup> Step | approx. 6 months | \$23.50/hr |

Approximate Journeyman wage is \$26.11/hr plus health and welfare package thru agreement with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Locals 125 & 659 and signatory Tree Trimmer contractors. Wages are effective 1/1/10.

### **AREAS OF DISPATCH:**

**Southwestern Washington** (Grays Harbor, Mason, Pierce, Thurston, Pacific, Lewis, Wahkiakum and Cowlitz counties)

**Northwestern Washington** (Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, King, Kitsap, Jefferson, Clallam, Island and San Juan counties)

**Eastern Washington** (all counties east of the Cascades)

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All requests for application must provide the following minimum information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number:(\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

### **NONDISCRIMINATION IN SELECTION AND EMPLOYMENT**

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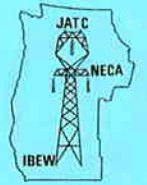


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**WEB-SITE**

**[www.nwlinejatc.org](http://www.nwlinejatc.org)**

Applications are now being accepted for the following trade:

## **CONSTRUCTION LINEMAN**

**APPLICATION FEE OF \$25.00**

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: OPEN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**APPLICANTS MUST MEET AT LEAST ONE OF THE THREE CONDITIONS LISTED BELOW\*:**

- 1.) A) Minimum age, 18
- B) Physically able to perform the job as outlined in the Standards of Apprenticeship
- C) High School graduate (Official transcript required) or G.E.D.
- D) One (1) year High School Algebra or one (1) term of post high school Algebra with a grade average of "C" or better; official transcript required.

**\*\*\* OR \*\*\***

- 2.) A) Minimum age, 18
- B) Physically able to perform the job as outlined in the Standards of Apprenticeship
- C) Have a minimum of four thousand (4,000) hours work experience in the trade.  
Work experience must have included climbing and other trade related work conducive to that of an Electrical Lineman or Electrical Line Apprentice. Applicant must provide documentation of related work experience.

**\*\*\* OR \*\*\***

- 3.) A) Be a veteran with two or more years active service with other than a dishonorable discharge.
- B) Physically able to perform the job as outlined in the Standards of Apprenticeship
- C) Have completed military training and duties - must have included line construction and related theories. Applicant must provide documentation of satisfactory completion of training and experience.

\* Specific minimum qualifications are in our Standards of Apprenticeship at:

[www.LNI.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship/files/standards/0487.pdf](http://www.LNI.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship/files/standards/0487.pdf)

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**STARTING WAGE:** \$24.86/hour (effective 8/1/09). Journeyman wage: \$41.44/hour.  
Medical/dental and Retirement plan.

**Where to Apply:** Pick up an application in person or mail in a written request for an application to the above address. **Be sure to include the \$25.00 application fee** in the form of a check or money order made out to "JATC" and include your name, address, phone number and social security number.

## NATURE OF WORK:

Outside Electrical Lineworkers and Apprentice Lineworkers construct and maintain the electric Transmission and distribution facilities that deliver electrical energy to our homes, factories, and commercial establishments.

Lineworkers also provide important and skilled services to the electrical industry on a daily basis, and when emergencies develop due to damage from lightning, wind and ice storms. Lineworkers respond to restore electric service at any time of the day or night.

Outside electrical lineworker apprentices in this program work for various contractors on all types of power line construction, both underground and overhead.

The work is outdoors year-round, and involves extensive travel throughout the Northwest. All travel and accommodations will be at the apprentice's expense. Apprentices must be free to travel when assigned to jobs in Oregon, Washington, 10 northern counties in Idaho, and 3 northern counties of California. Upon completion of the apprenticeship program, lineworkers are free to work wherever and for whomever he/she chooses.

Apprentices will spend 7,000 hours (approximately 3-1/2 years) of on-the-job training to complete the program; however, periods of unemployment may lengthen the apprenticeship.

Apprentices will also be required to attend at least 144 hours per year of related classroom studies, provided by the apprenticeship.

Employment opportunities for both apprentice lineworkers and journeyman lineworkers have been good in recent years. Employment opportunities for the future are promising.

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### **AREAS OF DISPATCH:**

**Northern Oregon** (Clark, Skamania, Washington, Yamhill, Marion, Clackamas, Multnomah, Hood River, Wasco, Clatsop, Jefferson, Deschutes, Crook, Wheeler, Sherman, Gilliam, Morrow, Columbia, Grant, Harney, Umatilla, Union, Baker, Wallow, and Tillamook Counties)

**Southern Oregon** (Lake, Klamath, Jackson, Josephine, Curry, Coos, Douglas, Lane, Linn, Benton, Lincoln, Polk, Siskiyou, Modoc, and Del Norte Counties)

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