



# ***Tree Climbing Facilitator***

## Job Description

Treetop Explorer, LLC utilizes trained employees and volunteers to provide facilitated recreational tree climbing events in accordance with our Tree Climbing Procedures. All employees and volunteers must satisfactorily complete required training in order to fill the job responsibilities of a designated staff position.

Positions available: Tree Climbing Facilitator & Ground Facilitator (Tree Climbing Facilitator Trainee)

**Tree Climbing Facilitator:** Personnel who have successfully completed the *Tree Climbing Proficiency Assessment* and the *Aerial Rescue Assessment*. Primary responsibilities cover all aspects of running a facilitated tree climbing event and insure proper procedures are followed. They can serve as lead facilitator and perform aerial rescues.

a. **Responsibilities:**

- i. Arrive at least 2 hours prior to climb start time and remain 1 hour after climb event end time, or until climbing area has been cleaned and all equipment and gear stowed for transport.
- ii. Prepare tree, install climbing ropes, and organize the climbing area.
- iii. Cover Ground Staff responsibilities as necessary: greet participants, collect waivers, suit up climbers in helmet & saddle.
- iv. Act as or assist the lead facilitator to insure the Tree Climbing Procedures are followed with each facilitated event.
- v. When acting as lead facilitator, responsible for insuring B-A-C-K checks and Bounce tests have been properly performed on all climbing lines prior to each event.
- vi. Other duties when assigned by the lead facilitator.

b. **Requirements:**

- i. Successfully completed the *Tree Climbing Proficiency Assessment*.
- ii. Successfully completed the *Tree Climbing Facilitation* course (or approved equivalent).
- iii. Lead facilitators must be aerial-rescue approved.
- iv. If substituting an approved equivalent course, candidate must demonstrate competency and understanding of the information covered in Treetop Explorer training courses.
- v. Maintain current CPR/First Aid certification.

c. **Responsibilities do not include:**

- i. Instructing Tree Climbing Program Training courses.

d. **Compensation:**

- i. Hourly rate: \$12.00 - \$15.00/hour.

**Ground Facilitator:** Personnel who have successfully completed the *Beginning Tree Climbing* course and the *Tree Climbing Facilitation* training program but have not yet passed the *Climbing Proficiency Assessment*. Primary responsibilities cover all aspects of running a facilitated tree climbing event under a recognized lead facilitator, insuring proper procedures are followed.

a. Responsibilities:

- i. Arrive at least 2 hours prior to climb start time and remain 1 hour after climb event end time, or until climbing area has been cleaned and all equipment and gear stowed for transport.
- ii. Prepare tree, install climbing ropes, and organize the climbing area.
- iii. Cover Ground Staff responsibilities as necessary: greet participants, collect waivers, suit up climbers in helmet & saddle.
- iv. Assist the lead facilitator to insure the Tree Climbing Procedures are followed with each facilitated event.
- v. Prepare climbing participants for climbing by performing helmet & saddle checks prior clipping them onto rope.
- vi. Provide climbers with ascent and descent instructions according to procedures, and insure they demonstrate adequate understanding and abilities.
- vii. Belay and assist climbers during their descent.
- viii. Other duties when assigned by the lead facilitator.

b. Requirements:

- i. Have successfully completed the *Beginning Tree Climbing* course (or approved equivalent).
- ii. Successfully complete the *Tree Climbing Facilitation* training program.

c. Responsibilities do not include:

- i. Successfully completing the *Tree Climbing Proficiency Assessment*.
- ii. Acting as lead facilitator.
- iii. Obtaining rescue-ready status.
- iv. Maintaining CPR/First Aid certification.
- v. Instructing Tree Climbing Program Training courses.

d. Compensation:

- i. Hourly rate: \$10.00 - \$12.00/hour.