



**CITY OF ODESSA**

# **JOURNEYMAN LINEWORKER**

The City of Odessa is seeking someone to join our future-focused team that is dedicated to the lineworker profession and the community of Odessa.

Someone who has knowledge and experience in electric linework who understands or is interested in the impact a municipal-owned utility can positively have in a community... Diversify your career with an organization that will treat you like family. Odessa is a vibrant historic community of approximately 5,500 people just East of the heart of downtown Kansas City, strategically located at the intersection of U.S. Interstate 70 and MO State Highway 131.

The City offers a generous benefits package including 3 weeks of paid vacation after the 1st year, 12 paid holidays, employer-paid health, dental, and vision insurance, an employee assistance program, 100% coverage of training costs, LAGERS pension retirement contributions, and COLA increases each year. Starting at \$27.08 to \$40.96, depending on qualifications. Not to mention a wide range of exciting future projects for the department.

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## **City of Odessa Job Description**

### **Job Title: Journeyman Lineman**

Department: Electric  
Reports To: Electric Distribution Supervisor  
FLSA Status: Regular Full-Time Employee  
Prepared By: KF  
Prepared Date: 07/31/2025  
Approved By: SD  
Approved Date: 08/05/2025

#### **Position Summary:**

The Journeyman Lineworker is responsible for constructing, maintaining, and repairing overhead and underground electrical distribution systems for the City. This position plays a critical role in ensuring the safe and reliable delivery of electric service to customers and is expected to respond to outages, perform routine maintenance, and support capital improvement projects. The Lineworker works both independently and as part of a crew under the direction of the Electric Distribution Supervisor.

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#### **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

Duties include but are not limited to the following:

##### **A. Electrical System Construction and Maintenance**

- Construct, maintain, and repair overhead and underground primary and secondary electrical lines.
- Set poles, string wire, install transformers, capacitors, and other line equipment.
- Perform troubleshooting and restoration of service during outages.
- Install, inspect, and maintain street lighting and area lighting systems.

##### **B. Safety and Crew Leadership**

- Follow and enforce safety policies and procedures in accordance with OSHA, APPA, and industry standards.
- Set up safe work zones and ensure public and crew safety at all job sites.
- Lead by example and assist in training and mentoring apprentice lineworkers.

##### **C. Equipment and Tool Operation**

- Operate line trucks, digger derricks, bucket trucks, and other specialized electrical line equipment.
- Inspect, maintain, and safely operate all tools and vehicles assigned to the electric department.
- Perform daily equipment checks and report defects to supervisors.

##### **D. Service and Customer Support**

- Perform service connections and disconnections as required.
- Conduct field investigations for customer service issues, including voltage complaints or outages.
- Communicate clearly and professionally with customers, residents, contractors, and other city departments.

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### **E. Emergency Response**

- Participate in on-call rotation and respond to after-hours emergencies, including nights, weekends, and holidays.
- Assist in storm restoration and other emergency operations under sometimes adverse weather conditions.

### **F. Vegetation and Line Clearance**

- Perform line clearance operations, including tree trimming and vegetation management, to ensure reliable power delivery and system safety.
  - Monitor weather conditions and proactively identify risk areas for outages or hazards.
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### **Qualifications and Requirements:**

#### **Education and Experience:**

- High school diploma or GED required.
- Completion of an accredited journeyman lineworker program (Journeyman card required).
- Minimum of four (4) years of experience in electric line construction and maintenance.

#### **Certifications and Licenses:**

- Valid Missouri Class A CDL or ability to obtain within 90 days of hire.
- CPR, First Aid, and pole-top/bucket rescue certifications preferred.

#### **Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:**

- Extensive knowledge of overhead and underground electric utility systems.
  - Ability to read and interpret blueprints, staking sheets, and system maps.
  - Ability to safely climb poles and work at heights and in confined spaces.
  - Strong problem-solving and diagnostic skills.
  - Ability to work effectively under pressure and in emergency situations.
  - Excellent teamwork, communication, and customer service skills.
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#### **Physical Requirements:**

- Must be able to lift and carry up to 75 lbs.
  - Frequent standing, walking, bending, kneeling, and climbing poles or ladders.
  - Work from aerial devices at heights of up to 60 feet or more.
  - Use of hand and power tools in varying weather conditions.
  - High endurance and physical stamina for extended workdays during outages or emergencies.
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### **Work Environment:**

- Outdoor work in all weather conditions, including extreme heat, cold, rain, or snow.
- Exposure to high-voltage electricity, loud noises, chemicals, and moving equipment.
- Occasional work in confined or elevated spaces.
- Must be available for overtime, standby, and emergency response during non-standard hours.

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### **Additional Notes:**

- This job description is not intended to be all-inclusive. Other duties may be required as assigned.
- Employment is subject to successful background check and pre-employment drug screening.
- The City reserves the right to modify this job description as needed to meet changing operational or regulatory needs.