

PHYSICAL DEMANDS DESCRIPTION (PDD)

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Department Low Rise Residential				Job Title Electrician				Company Richview Electric (LU 353)		
PHYSICAL DEMANDS		Not Component	*FREQUENCY				LOAD (object/tool)		COMMENTS	
			Seldom	Minor	Required	Major	Maximum (Kg)	Usual (Kg)		
STRENGTH	Lifting			x			18	5	Loading trucks for each site; Loads above 23 Kg lifted by 2 workers Lift start: 31 1/8" or 0"; Lift finish: 26 3/8"	
	Carrying					x	18	5	A tool belt is worn to carry tools – hammer, drill (approx. 5 Kg); Carrying equipment to second floor	
	Pushing				x		10	2.5	Pushing fixtures, etc. into place	
	Pulling				x		3.75	2.5	Wire pulling during rough-ins	
	Handling					x			Materials and tool handling	
	Throwing		x						Underhand toss to place materials on the floor	
	Gripping	Power Grasp			x					Wire stripping, drilling
		Pinch Grasp					x			Gripping wires, nails, etc.
	Reaching	Above Shoulder				x				Overhead light and fixture installation, wire pulling and drilling
		Below Shoulder				x				Switch, plug and fixture installation, wire pulling and drilling
To the Side				x					Awkward positions during overhead installations	
POSTURES	Shoulder	Abduction			x					
		Flexion					x		Ladder work, wire pulling, meter base installation, etc.	
	Hip	Abduction			x					
		Flexion/Extension		x						
		Radial/Ulnar Devn				x			Drill and hammer use	
	Wrist	Pronate/Supinate			x				Screwdriver use	
		Flexion					x		Plug installation, wire pulling, drilling, etc.	
	Trunk	Extension		x						
		Side Bend			x				Ladder work, overhead work	
		Twist		x						
	Neck	Flexion				x			Plug fixture installation, wire pulling, drilling	
		Extension				x			Overhead work	
Side Bend			x							
Twist			x							
MOBILITY	Sitting		x						Most work is completed in the standing or crouching position	
	Standing					x				
	Walking					x				
	Climbing				x				Climbing ladders and 1-2 flights of stairs	
	Crawling		x							
	Crouching					x			Installation of plugs, wire pulling, picking up items on the floor	
	Kneeling				x				Installing plugs, cutting vapour barrier	
	Balancing				x				Ladder use; carrying items upstairs	
	Foot Action	One Foot				x				While kneeling on one knee
		Feet					x			
Fine Finger Movements				x				Selection and insertion of wires into breakers, switches, etc.		
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SENSORY/PERCEPTUAL	Hearing	Conversations		x		During initial organization of task distribution	
		Other Sounds	x			Potential emergency calls or alarms	
	Vision	Far			x	Past 5 feet; Seeing potential obstacles, wire extension, etc.	
		Near				x	Used during fixture installation, breaker installation, etc.
		Colour			x	Used to distinguish “in” and “out” when wiring	
	Perception	Depth			x	Used in the installation of fixtures; wire pulling	
		Spatial – organization			x	Room layout, wire drilling, etc.	
		Form - recognition			x	Distinguishing plug fixtures from switch fixtures, etc.	
	Feeling			x			
	Reading		x			Initial reading of lighting blueprints	
Writing		x					
Keying/Typing	x						
Speech			x		Communicating work accomplished and work to be done		
WORK ENVIRONMENT	Outside Work		x			Installing meter bases	
	Hot		x			Average max. temp. (for the GTA) in July is 29C. Work continues during hot weather.	
	Cold			x		Work continues during the winter months – extreme cold limits ability to work	
	Humid			x		Usually the weather is humid during the summer months – work continues during humid weather	
	Dry				x	Work is completed in a dry, indoor environment. (Except for panel installation)	
	Dust			x		Drilling and sediment on the ground; masks available	
	Vapour Fumes		x			Adhesive used during meter base installation	
	Noise				x	Construction equipment, drilling, hammering, etc.	
	Vibration	Whole Body		x			Driving to and from the job site
		Upper Extremity				x	Drilling
	Contact Stress				x	Hammering, drilling, etc.	
	Striking with Hand/Fist	x				Striking is accomplished with hand tools (eg. Hammer)	
	Moving Objects				x		
	Hazardous Machines	x				Tools used are safe with proper protocol	
	Electrical					x	
	Sharp Tools		x				
	Radiant/Thermal Energy	x					
	Slippery		x			Mud around the house when it rains	
	Congested Worksite				x	Extension cords, construction debris	
	Chemical Irritants		x			Meter base installation adhesive; work gloves available	
CONDITIONS	Works Independent but in Group				x	Work is completed with a minimum of one other person	
	Operate Equipment/Machinery				x	Drills	
	Machine Paced		x				
	Production Quotas					x	Must complete work in a certain cycle of time
	Deadline Pressures		x				
	Irregular/Extended Hours		x				
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