

PHYSICAL DEMANDS DESCRIPTION (PDD)

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PHYSICAL DEMANDS		Not Component	*FREQUENCY				LOAD (object/tool)		COMMENTS	
			Seldom	Minor	Required	Major	Maximum (Kg)	Usual (Kg)		
STRENGTH	Lifting				x		38	5	Lifting materials off the ground	
	Carrying				x		38	5	Carrying conduit from threader to installation point; wearing a tool belt	
	Pushing		x						Pushing wire into conduit	
	Pulling				x				Wire pulling through conduit	
	Handling					x	38	4	Materials & tools handling; Maximum lift – bundle of 1” conduit (38 Kg)	
	Throwing	x								
	Gripping	Power Grasp					x			Wire pulling, conduit installation
		Pinch Grasp			x					Inserting wires into breaker panel
	Reaching	Above Shoulder				x				Wire pulling, conduit installation, overhead work
		Below Shoulder		x						
To the Side				x					Awkward conduit installation	
POSTURES	Shoulder	Abduction			x				Conduit installation, reaming conduit	
		Flexion					x		Overhead work, wire pulling	
	Hip	Abduction			x					Balancing in awkward positions
		Flexion/Extension			x					
		Radial/Ulnar Devn			x					
	Wrist	Pronate/Supinate				x				Installing conduit
		Flexion					x			Conduit installation, working in small spaces
	Trunk	Extension			x					Overhead work; ladder work
		Side Bend			x					Overhead work; ladder work
		Twist			x					Overhead work; ladder work
Flexion					x				Threading conduit, conduit installation	
Neck	Extension				x				Overhead work, wire pulling	
	Side Bend		x							
	Twist		x							
MOBILITY	Sitting	x							Work is performed standing, crouching or kneeling	
	Standing					x				
	Walking					x				
	Climbing			x					Stairs & ladders	
	Crawling		x							
	Crouching				x				Installation of conduit	
	Kneeling				x				Installation of conduit	
	Balancing			x					Stairs, ladders, working above previously installed pipes	
	Foot Action	One Foot			x					Kneeling
		Feet					x			
Fine Finger Movements			x					Selection and insertion of wires into panels		

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SENSORY/PERCEPTUAL	Hearing	Conversations		x			During initial site organization, communicating during wire pulling, etc.	
		Other Sounds		x			Emergency alarms	
	Vision	Far			x		Past 5 feet; seeing potential obstacles during conduit layout	
		Near			x		Installation of conduit, conduit threading & bending	
		Colour			x		Selecting correct wire based on colour	
		Depth			x		Determining the layout of conduit based on obstacles from pre-existing piping	
	Perception	Spatial – organization			x		Layout of conduit	
		Form - recognition			x		Distinguishing different sizes of conduit, selecting the correct screws	
	Feeling					x		
	Reading			x			Reading site layout	
	Writing		x					
	Keying/Typing	x						
	Speech			x			Communicating during wire pulling, etc.	
WORK ENVIRONMENT	Outside Work				x			
	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	Outdoor slab work stops during heavy rain; work mostly in dry weather/environments	
	Dust		x					
	Vapour Fumes		x				Sewage treatment plant	
	Noise					x	Construction equipment, treatment plant noise	
	Vibration	Whole Body	x					
		Upper Extremity			x			Drills, conduit threader
	Contact Stress				x		Drills, conduit threader, Chicago bender	
	Striking with Hand/Fist	x					Striking is accomplished with hand tools (eg. Hammer)	
	Moving Objects		x				Workers moving materials	
	Hazardous Machines		x					
	Electrical					x		
	Sharp Tools				x		Conduit threader, conduit reamer	
	Radiant/Thermal Energy	x						
Slippery		x				Outdoor surfaces can become slippery when it rains		
Congested Worksite					x	Previously laid piping & conduit		
Chemical Irritants	x							
CONDITIONS	Works Independent but in Group					x	Work is primarily done in groups of 2	
	Operate Equipment/Machinery				x		Drills, Chicago bender, etc.	
	Machine Paced			x			Speed of conduit bender, threader	
	Production Quotas					x	Work must be done in a specific timeframe	
	Deadline Pressures			x			Fairly quick, continuous work rate	
	Irregular/Extended Hours		x					

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