

**TOWN OF ISLE LA MOTTE
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: TREE WARDEN**

SUMMARY OF POSITION

From Vermont Statute: “The tree warden shall control all shade trees within the municipality.” (24 V.S.A. § 2502) This position is appointed, and the candidate does not need to be a member of the Isle La Motte community.

A shade tree is defined as:

(3) “Shade tree” means a shade or ornamental tree located in whole or in part within the limits of a public way or public place, provided that the tree:

(A) was planted by the municipality; or

(B) is designated as a shade tree pursuant to a municipal shade tree preservation plan pursuant to section 2502 of this title

(24 V.S.A. § 2501a)

After the selectboard appoints a tree warden, the Selectboard shall certify the appointment to the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and Recreation.

For more information about the applicable statutes, and the position:

https://bit.ly/Tree_Warden_VT

<https://www.vlct.org/topics/tree-law>

This is an entirely volunteer position, with no stipend. Expenses accrued with **prior** Selectboard approval will be reimbursed.

SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Tree Warden shall have the following specific duties:

- Preserve Isle La Motte’s shade trees.
- May remove or demand the removal of any tree that is in an unsafe condition, presents a hazard to the general public, is infected by insects, or is affecting the improvement of public utilities.
- Provide advisory capacity to the Selectboard regarding tree health, care, and maintenance.
- Respond to citizen concerns about existing shade trees.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

- Interest in tree health and preservation.
- Willingness to learn, and curious about the duties and responsibilities of a Tree Warden.
- Good communicator and good problem-solver.
- Able to respond to citizens professionally, courteously, and accurately. Communicate any unusual complaints to the Selectboard.

Letters of interest, including your qualifications and reasons for your interest in the position, can be emailed to the selectboard clerk: Andrea Carbone ilmvtselectboardclerk@gmail.com, mailed to the Town Office at P.O. Box 250, 42 School St. Ext, Isle La Motte, VT 05463, or dropped off at the Town Office in person at 42 School St. Ext.