

SUMNER COWLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
Position Description

Job Title: Journeyman Lineworker
Reports To: Line Foreman
FLSA Status: Full Time/Non-Exempt
Last Reviewed: January 2026

Position Summary:

The Journeyman Lineworker is a skilled, experienced member of the operations team at Sumner Cowley Electric Cooperative, Inc. This position performs construction, maintenance, and repair of the cooperative's overhead and underground electric distribution system in a safe and efficient manner. Working under the direction of the Line Foreman, the Journeyman Lineworker ensures system reliability, member satisfaction, and compliance with all applicable safety and operational standards. This role is vital to maintaining dependable electric service across the cooperative's service area.

Essential Responsibilities and Personal Conduct:

The following list is intended to describe the general nature of the basic responsibilities and conduct expected of individuals employed by Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive listing. The descriptions contained within are subject to change at any time at the sole discretion of the management.

Must be supportive of all policies and decisions set by management and the Board of Directors.

Conduct oneself in such a manner as to contribute to a better understanding of the Cooperative when in contact with members or the public, as well as maintain a harmonious relationship with all Cooperative employees.

Must be able to write legibly as well as read and comprehend material, display effective written and oral communication skills and the ability to communicate with the public and other employees tactfully and courteously.

Must have good interpersonal skills and ability to get along with diverse personalities; capable of conveying a positive and professional image.

Must be able to coordinate projects with other employees, as well as ability to work with and consistently meet deadlines, budgets, and work on several projects simultaneously.

Key Responsibilities:

The following list of duties is intended to describe the general nature and level of work to be performed by individuals assigned to this position. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive listing, and other duties may be assigned. The descriptions within this classification are subject to change at any time at the sole discretion of management.

Safety & Compliance:

Follow all safety rules, regulations, and best practices in accordance with OSHA, NESC, and cooperative policies. Participate in job briefings, always use appropriate PPE and attend all safety meetings and trainings

Line Construction & Maintenance:

Build, maintain, and repair overhead and underground distribution lines, including setting poles, stringing wire, installing transformers, and making service connections.

Outage Restoration:

Respond to power outages and emergencies, troubleshoot system issues, and safely restore electric service in coordination with the Line Foreman and system operations.

System Monitoring & Preventative Maintenance:

Assist in routine system inspections, including patrols to identify and document problems and perform preventative maintenance as needed.

Equipment Operation:

Safely operate line trucks, bucket trucks, digger derricks, and other construction equipment; maintain tools and vehicles in good working condition.

Documentation & Reporting:

Accurately complete work reports, service orders, time sheets, and other required documentation in a timely manner.

Training & Teamwork:

Support apprentice linemen and other crew members by sharing knowledge and modeling safe, efficient work practices. Work cooperatively as part of a team.

Qualifications:

- * High school diploma or equivalent required.
- * Completion of an accredited journeyman lineworker apprenticeship program.
- * Valid Class A CDL.
- * Minimum of 4 years of experience in electric line construction and maintenance.
- * Thorough understanding of electric distribution systems, safety protocols, and construction standards.
- * Ability to read and interpret staking sheets, line maps, and schematics.
- * Must live within a 20 mile radius of the cooperative headquarters building in Wellington, KS.

Preferred Skills and Attributes:

- * Strong safety awareness with willingness to speak up, stop work when unsafe conditions exist and support a culture of shared responsibility and accountability for safety.
- * Strong commitment to quality, and reliability.
- * Problem-solving skills with the ability to work under pressure in emergency situations.
- * Professional demeanor and cooperative team spirit.

Working Conditions:

- * Frequently works outdoors in all weather conditions, including storms and extreme temperatures.
- * Required to be on-call for after-hours emergencies and outages.
- * Regular physical demands including climbing, heavy lifting, and working at heights.
- * Must be able to work extended hours during outage situations or severe weather events.

About Sumner Cowley Electric Cooperative, Inc.:

Founded in 1938, Sumner Cowley Electric Cooperative (SCEC) is a distribution electric utility serving five counties in rural south-central Kansas. With 1877 Miles of lines serving 4600 members our member owned cooperative delivers safe, reliable and affordable electricity to the farms, homes and businesses that power rural Kansas.

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