Mechanical Shift Technician

We have an exciting opportunity for a Mechanical Shift Technician to join our world-class printing site, Standfast & Barracks, based in Lancaster. As our Mechanical Shift Technician, you will be responsible for providing mechanical maintenance for the whole factory and its systems: installing, repairing and maintaining production equipment and associated systems whilst observing health and safety regulations.

We're passionate about every aspect of fabric production; from conception and design, right through to manufacturing, taking pride in our ethos which combines the traditional with the innovative. Our heritage is quintessentially British, and we are proud to produce some of the finest quality prints for many design-led home furnishing and apparel brands.

Responsibilities

Stream Services

- Ensure steam is supplied to the production units uninterrupted and to the quality required
- Operation of the steam-raising equipment is carried out in accordance to the HSE-PM Scheduled
- Fully conversant and trained in all the requirements for raising steam, including technical data collection and interpretation
- Maintain the factory's softening plants in relation to the operation & service

Factory Maintenance & Services

- Repair machinery in a safe manner to allow trouble-free operation with no ineffective repairs or repeat jobs
- Ensure all data is completed on relevant job requests in accordance to requirement
- Show operatives safe working methods on routine tasks so they may be undertaken themselves in a safe manner
- Ensure any spares removed from stock are booked out to the relevant ticket
- Report any fault that cannot be rectified to the Departmental Supervisor so that
 alternative arrangements can be made as well as ensuring no task is left incomplete
 without the knowledge of the relevant departmental supervisor/manager
- Assist other members of the team with regard to safety, repairs, as & when necessary
- Carry out welding repairs which are suitable & fit for purpose
- Carry out basic electrical tasks throughout the site
- Responsible for the operation of air, water & effluent services throughout the site
- Ensure the caustic dilution system is switched off at the end of the last shift & turned on again and set in sequence at the beginning of the first weekly shift as well as ensuring all services i.e., lights, pumps etc. are switched off at the end of the last shift
- Ensure the fabric of the building is fit for purpose

Health & Safety

- Risk Assessments are carried out prior to any repairs being undertaken
- Ensure The Company's Lock-Out Procedure is followed on any job where a threat to personal safety or the safety of others is present
- Report any risks/hazards are reported immediately to the Supervisor

- All electrical items are tested in accordance with the current IEE regulations on a predetermined basis with no omissions
- Fully conversant with the Health & Safety requirements of the machine and operation in question

Training & Quality

- Attend all relevant training courses to enable the Engineering Services to be kept abreast of changes in technology and to carry out effective repairs on plant and equipment
- Ensure any relevant or required training is forwarded to Engineering management so appropriate courses could be arranged
- Ensure no repair is carried out which could be detrimental to quality and production

Housekeeping

- All waste bins within the department to be emptied into the external compactor at the end of each shift
- All oils & greases to have their lids replaced after use & stored in the appropriate place at the end of each task daily
- All unused materials to be returned to the correct storage area at the end of each task daily
- After completion of work the area is to be left clear of debris and all waste disposed of in a correct and safe manner as required by health & safety at the end of each task on a daily basis
- Incomplete work to be left tidy and safe and not cluttering up the workbench/floor space at the end of each task daily
- Any spillages of oil/chemicals, etc, to be cleaned up immediately and disposed of in a safe manner
- All oils and greases in the Oil Store/Compressor House to be correctly labelled and stored in a tidy manner
- Rest Room area to be cleaned after each meal break daily
- Prints Compound to be kept in a clean and tidy manner at all times and locked when not in use daily
- Boiler House to be kept clean and free of debris at all times daily
- Slings, shackles and lifting equipment to be returned to appropriate storage area after use
- All company tools and portable electrical equipment to be returned and signed in at the end of each shift
- After using machine tools, machine to be cleaned down and all swarf/cutting correctly disposed of

Lean Manufacturing

- Continually look for ways to do the job better, faster and cheaper without compromising health & safety
- Apply problem-solving techniques to identify cause and effects of problems
- Report any problems and recommend solutions
- Apply and monitor solutions
- Attend training and development workshops

Skills & Experience

- Minimum 5 years' experience in a manufacturing environment
- Experience working with textile printing equipment
- Good diagnostic skills

- Relevant Mechanical qualification (i.e. City & Guilds, NVQ 3, Diploma) and/or equivalent
- Welding
- Fully conversant and trained in all the requirements for raising steam, including technical data collection & interpretation
- Technician must hold a relevant qualification suitable for the position, i.e. City & Guilds, NVQ, in an Mechanical engineering discipline and/or equivalent

About us

Sanderson Design Group is an international luxury interior furnishings company that designs, manufactures and markets wallpapers and fabrics together with a wide range of ancillary interior products.

In 2020, we brought our portfolio of brands home to Sanderson Design Group, evoking the combined longevity and prodigious creative history of our brands. Sanderson Design Group describes the ebullience of our past endeavours. It sketches the outline of our future. A collective of 7 quintessentially British luxury interior brands and 2 manufacturing brands, at Sanderson Design Group we are Sanderson, Archive, Morris & Co., Zoffany, Harlequin, Clarke & Clarke, Scion, Anstey Wallpaper Company and Standfast & Barracks.

Our purpose is "To bring the Beautiful into People's Homes and Lives". This has defined and shaped our brands since our very earliest days. The oldest brand in our arsenal, from where we derive the namesake of our group, begun life in 1860, as an importer of fine French wallpapers to London. Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd played a pivotal role in defining English interior decoration tastes and its early success led to displaying designs at London's finest showroom, at Berners Street. Around this time in 1924, Arthur Sanderson & Sons Ltd were awarded The Royal Warrant, becoming "purveyors of wallpaper and paint" to the court of George V.

We recognise that each one of our brands contributes a unique chapter to our story. It is why we represent the full spectrum of British interior design, catering from cutting-edge sleek modern styles, to the hearty warmth of traditional forms. Our decision to rebrand as Sanderson Design Group in 2020 is our way of paying homage to our rich history, as well as marking our path towards a new future. As custodians of over 160 years of design experience, we are proud to Bring the Beautiful into People's Homes and Lives. We are Sanderson Design Group.