

## Supply Chain Manager

We have an exciting opportunity for a Supply Chain Manager to join our world-class printing site, Standfast & Barracks, based in Lancaster. As our Supply Chain Manager, you will provide support to all departments associated with the supply chain to improve quality, efficiency and cost by coordinating the efforts of the various entities in the supply chain.

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

#### Supply Chain Management

- Implementation of best practice and procedures, such as Supply Chain Management (SCM) and Inventory Management (IM)
- Monitor and assess the suppliers and logistic suppliers against performance KPI's
- Lead tactical response to supply chain problems impacting service performance and customer satisfaction
- Develop an Inventory Control strategy to meet working capital targets
- Ensure the provision of skills, training, and resource to develop and best in class supply chain team
- Responsible for demand and supply forecasting, inventory planning and capacity management to meet the needs of the customer base
- Managing short and long-term supply chain planning to ensure the ability to forward plan materials purchasing effectively

#### Warehouse & Logistics

- Ensure a safe working environment for employees and third-party logistics onsite
- Make decisions regarding the movement, storage and processing of inventory with focus on the most efficient levels for the business
- Monitor and manage stock rotation, FIFO etc
- Aim to reduce overall logistic costs and using lower CO2 emitting process routes
- Ensure all operatives are signed off as competent on any new processes introduced within your departments

#### Purchasing

- Research potential vendors
- Compare and evaluate offers from suppliers
- Negotiate contract terms of agreement and pricing
- Track orders and ensure timely delivery
- Review quality of purchased products
- Enter order details (e.g. vendors, quantities, prices) into internal databases
- Maintain updated records of purchased products, delivery information and invoices
- Prepare reports on purchases, including cost analyses
- Monitor stock levels and place orders as needed
- Coordinate with warehouse staff to ensure proper storage

#### Trials (in conjunction with Stake holders, Design, Technical and Manufacturing)

- Ensure regular discussions with suppliers (Logistic/Material/Dye & Chemical) take place to identify opportunities for quality improvements or cost savings
- Communicate any change/trial with relevant departmental personnel and stake holders
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#### Lean Manufacturing

- Review demand forecasting, supply planning, inventory and purchasing processes via the deployment of lean tools implementing changes in procedures to optimise productivity and customer satisfaction
- Ensure awareness of Lean Manufacturing is promoted within reporting areas
- Actively initiate and participate in Lean projects aimed at improving all areas of waste in the business
- Analyse and evaluate current production processes with a focus on process improvement practices
- Evaluate existing material flows and layouts through reporting areas with a focus on developing alternative flows to improve efficiency

#### **Skills & Experience**

- Relevant supply chain qualification, i.e. IoSCM or CIPS (preferred)
- O Level and/or equivalent in Chemistry, Maths, Physics & English
- A level and/or equivalent in Chemistry, Maths & Physics
- Textile knowledge
- Previous experience within supply chain
- Knowledge or experience of Lean Manufacturing techniques (preferred)

#### **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.