CNC Operator Programmer



This job description outlines the purpose, key responsibilities, measures of success, values and professional behaviours and skills required for success within the role. It also describes the key measures of success of the role and provides focus for recruitment, development, career planning, performance management and remuneration initiatives.

Position Title: CNC Operator Programmer

Teams I Production

Location: I Bowhill, South Australia

Current as of: I June 25

Reports to: I General Manager

Key Relationships: | General Manager, Project Team, Workshop Team Leader, Sub-

contract Draftsman/Surveyors

Purpose

Together we thrive

Mission

We transform communities & our people, by optimising & building structures that matter

Core Values

- Integrity We do what we say we are going to do
- Collaborative We get things done, together
- Courageous We embrace initiative & innovation
- Unity We help our clients win

Core Competencies

- Smarter together optimization specialists in large, welded components
- Win Before you Start cost with certainty
- Complexity done excellently systems and process, refinement
- Committed to Our Community strengthen our region

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Role Purpose:

As CNC Operator / Programmer at Bowhill Engineering, you'll play a pivotal role in one of the most significant infrastructure projects in South Australia — the Torrens to Darlington (T2DA) Tunnel. Using one of the largest, most capable machining centres of its type in Australia, a brand new Okuma MCR-A5C-30 (6.5m long bed), complete with index head, 600mm column riser, Renishaw Touch Probe and Mastercam software. With a solid 18 months of continuous work to implement the processes, this 6,600 tonne project has 650 critical components to be machined across 12 detailed programs, this is your chance to take the reins on state-of-the-art technology and shape project outcomes from day one.

You'll go beyond just operating the machine — you'll be intimately involved in installation, commissioning, programming, and tooling setup on our new machining centre. This role is ideal for a high-performing tradesperson or technician with a deep understanding of CNC machining principles and a passion for innovation. Growth of the machining area of our business is expected to follow, what a great opportunity to boost your career, help shape this from ground zero and build this area of the business into a market leader in large component machining.

You have the following key areas of responsibility:

- Commissioning & Tooling Setup
- Program development & machining
- Continuous Improvement, Maintenance & Uptime
- Collaboration

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KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

RESPONSIBILITY	EXAMPLES	MEASURES OF SUCCESS (KPIS)
Commissioning & Tooling	 Lead installation of CNC equipment and initial commissioning phases Setup all required tooling & fixturing 	 Equipment installed & running to spec Tooling library optimised for repeatability & safety
Program Development & Machining	 Develop, test & refine CNC programmes Work to budget & program schedules 	 Accurate execution of parts within tolerance, cycle times & finish outcomes optimised
Continuous Improvement, Maintenance & Uptime	 Collaborate with engineering & production to identify machining efficiencies Execute routine maintenance schedules Troubleshoot issues swiftly 	Downtime <5%Minimal job disruption
Collaboration	 Support production team with advice, mentoring and real time feedback Bring trainee operator to competency 	 Seamless integration between design & production

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ADMIN/PRODUCTION BEHAVIOURS

BEHAVIOUR	WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE ROLE	
Adaptable	 Demonstrates the ability to handle a broad range of different tasks and assignments, ensuring that the machine is not left unattended for extended periods. Adjusts quickly to different work environments Changes priorities when required without irritation 	
Reliable	 Creates and/or follows procedures to achieve a high level of quality, productivity and service Dedicates the required time and energy to tasks to ensure that no aspect of the work is neglected Maintains high level of character and a professional attitude the role 	
Engaged	 Creates and/or follows procedures to achieve a high level of quality, productivity and service Asks for direction to verify own accountabilities if unsure and escalate issues in an appropriate timeframe Dedicates the required time and energy to tasks to ensure that no aspect of the work is neglected 	
Skillful	Remains up to date with the latest technologies and development in area of expertise Is able to identify the skills required for personal growth and development Is committed to continuous learning and self-improvement	
Initiative	 Looks for new and productive ways to make an impact when it comes to generating new ideas or processes Is hard working and self-motivated Identifies and acts on better ways to do things 	
Team Player	 Assists team members to ensure all responsibilities are met, ands seeks assistance as required Is courteous and treats others with respect Works on projects as part of a team, exchanging ideas and contributing skills that complement those of the other team members 	
Communication	 Communicates positively and professionally with team members and customers at all times Communicates verbally and in written form with clarity Organises and expresses ideas and information clearly, using appropriate and efficient methods of conveying the information 	

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BOWHILL ENGINEERING CODE OF CONDUCT

We Expect and Accept:	We Don't Expect or Accept:
Honesty	Dishonesty
 Teamwork 	 Negativity
Respect	 Backstabbing
Patience and Tolerance	 Intimidation
Work life balance	 Handballing

DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS

QUALIFICATIONS

Trade qualified in machining / CNC programming (Cert III or higher preferred)

EXPERIENCE

- Proven experience commissioning CNC machinery and developing programs from scratch
- Skilled in tool setup, G-code programming, and multi-axis machining
- Strong computer skills and a systems mindset
- Exposure to large-scale infrastructure or structural steel environments is a plus