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Summary

Well-versed in project planning, execution, inspection and testing. Proficient in training, guiding and motivating employees, managing safety, quality, achieving demanding cost and schedule targets. AWS certified with 13-year background in U.S. Naval construction and repair.

Skills

Report writing, rapid improvement workshops, oversight, strategic job planning, inspecting for scoping and completeness, supervising, delegating, interpersonal and written communication, troubleshooting, labor cost and materials estimating, accurate progress reporting, blueprint reading, following company policies and procedures, employee training/needs for jobs and active job site management.

Experience

Newport News Shipbuilding

September 2017 to Current

General Foreman

Newport News, VA

- Delegate duties to each supervisor based on their skill set and monitor progress daily.
- Check for completion of jobs in compliance with rules and regulations.
- Complete random audits of job sites to assess compliance with safety codes and design plans.
- Direct fabrication of components needed for specific jobs.
- Report to superintendents daily regarding project progress, problems and labor status.
- Estimate time, material and labor costs for upcoming jobs.
- Review blueprints and specifications prior to starting job to fully understand project scope and correct errors.
- Perform final walkthrough of jobs and prepare report outs.
- Obtain specifications and direct work for multiple construction crews on multiple shifts.
- Lead worksite preparation and project planning for jobs to run smoothly.
- Evaluate overtime and set expectations for supervisors and their teams.

Newport News Shipbuilding

January 2011 to August 2017

Foreman

Newport News, VA

- Coordinated regular preventative and predictive maintenance programs to maintain optimal equipment functionality.
- Increased productivity by improving employee morale and cross-functional communications with workforce, management, planning and engineering teams.
- Monitored material, parts and equipment used at job sites for most efficient applications.
- Conferred with technical and administrative staff to devise and implement corrective actions.
- Estimated time, employee and material needs for projects.
- Directed work for multiple construction crews.
- Directed all production phases from initial estimate to final quality check and delivery.
- Analyzed job sites daily to mitigate risks for workers and visitors.
- Checked drawings to verify correct materials, joint types, and other technical aspects for use.

- Communicated positively with employees, demonstrating high company standards and mitigating issues immediately.
- Delegated duties to each employee based on their skill level and monitored progress daily, coaching along the way and disciplining where needed.
- Provided stakeholders with information on job milestones.
- Prepare jobs prior to assignment, i.e. staging, vent, lagging removal, paint samples, etc.
- Upheld schedule requirements and quality demands with hands-on project supervision.

Newport News Shipbuilding

September 2007 to December 2011

Shipfitter Apprentice

Newport News, VA

- Accurately fabricated/installed components for the ship according to blueprint specifications.
- Safely operated equipment for SMAW, various grinders, plasma and oxy/propane torches, carbon arc rigs, various measurement tools, plumb bobs, transits, Saws-all, etc. without injury.
- Complied with all applicable regulations, including U.S. Navy standards.
- Demonstrated leadership by making improvements to work processes and helping train others.
- Demonstrated self-reliance by meeting and exceeding workflow needs.
- Prioritized and organized tasks to efficiently accomplish service goals.
- Kept team on track by assigning and supervising their activities and giving constructive feedback.
- Worked successfully with diverse group of coworkers, management and engineering to accomplish goals and address issues related to our products.
- Ensured high quality, safety, efficient performance and timely delivery.
- Resolved interpersonal conflicts by listening, finding common ground and building relationships.

Education and Training

Stone Bridge High School

June 2007

High School Diploma

Ashburn, VA

Thomas Nelson Community College

December 2011

Associate of Science: Business Administration

Hampton, VA

Old Dominion University

December 2020

Bachelor of Science: Industrial Technology

Norfolk, VA

Old Dominion University

Expected in December 2025

Master of Science: Engineering Management

Norfolk, VA