



Maintenance Technician- Operator

Full time permanent position
Talbotville, Ontario (Rural location)

REPORTS TO:

Maintenance Manager

The Company

At Ontario Plants Propagation Limited, our vision is to be Eastern North America's premier supplier of greenhouse vegetable transplants. In order to help us accomplish this goal, we need to hire motivated passionate people that will support our workforce and facilities. We are looking for someone to join our maintenance team who will operate several lines and perform general building, machinery and equipment maintenance. More specifically these duties would include installation, troubleshooting, repair and maintenance of production and facility equipment according to safety, predictive and productive maintenance systems and processes to support the achievement of the company's business goals and objectives.

Job Description/ responsibilities:

- Inspects mechanical equipment for the purpose of ensuring that it is suitable for safe operation and/or identifying necessary repairs.
- Assists in the evaluation of equipment functions for the purpose of maintaining facilities and/or complying with mandated health requirements.
- Assists in maintaining irrigation and filtration equipment (e.g., filters, pump equipment, etc.) for the purpose of ensuring equipment is in proper working condition.
- Maintains records for the purpose of providing an up-to-date reference trail and/or complying with mandated requirements.
- Performs repairs to equipment and facilities for the purpose of maintaining facilities and equipment in safe operating condition.
- Assists with setup and/or movement of equipment (e.g., lines, new equipment, etc.)
- Provides emergency/unscheduled repairs of equipment and performs scheduled maintenance repairs of equipment.
- Performs simple machinist duties and responsibilities.
- Performs mechanic skills including, but not limited to, mechanical, electrical, pneumatic, hydraulic, and troubleshooting and repair of machines.
- Reads and interprets equipment manuals and work orders to perform required maintenance and service.
- Diagnoses problems, replaces or repairs parts, tests and makes adjustments.
- Maintains heating system, boilers, pumps, valves, piping.

- Operating and repairing the following equipment daily: Selecting line, Seeding line, Spacing machine and Lawn mower.
- Assist as a backup operator for illness, holidays, and unexpected events for this equipment
- Communicate, motivate and guide a team of labourers to achieve planning rates and quality production goals
- Operate machines and track workflow based on established company methods and practices, and ensure that labourers understand their duties or tasks
- Perform other tasks as may be assigned.

Minimum Requirements

- Post-secondary education, completion of a craft apprenticeship, or an equivalent number of years of education and Maintenance Coordination experience.
- Preference will be given to individuals with an agricultural background.
- Highly motivated and able to work independently.
- Exhibit initiative, responsibility, flexibility, and leadership.
- Knowledge and ability to diagnose/set-up electrical systems e.g., PLC programming.
- Knowledge of local, provincial and federal workplace compliance regulations, ordinances and legislation.
- Strong communication and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to operate various types of equipment: selecting line, seeding line, spacing machine and lawn mower considered an asset
- Required to work 6-8 weeks night shift in the winter season (November to February)

Physical Location/Work Conditions

- Greenhouse environment in rural area
- Ability to work shifts including weekends
- Ability to work long hours when required, especially during peak seasons.
- Working in high temperatures.

Wage:

Based on experience

This role is classified as an agriculture employee / farm employee. See the following link for more details about this classification from ESA

http://www.labour.gov.on.ca/english/es/pubs/factsheets/fs_agri.php

How to apply:

Submit your resume:

Mail: 38024 John Wise Line, St. Thomas, Ontario N5P 3T2

Email: employment@ontarioplants.com / Subject title: **Maintenance Technician-Operator**

Fax: 519 637 2449

Website: <https://www.ontarioplants.com/employment>

Ontario Plants Propagation Ltd provides accommodations for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you require accommodations, please contact Human Resources at 519-637-2119. We thank all applicants for their interest. Only those meeting the requirements will be considered.

COVID-19 considerations:

Ontario Plants Propagation Ltd has a mandatory vaccination policy to safeguard the health and safety of our employees and to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace. All employees must be vaccinated against the virus that causes COVID-19 or provide documentation for a medical exemption or other protected ground under applicable human rights legislation.