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Steel Stockholders & Fabrications

Experienced Steel Fabricator / Welder

Location: Worcester

Department: Fabrications

Reporting to: Fabrications Manager / Workshop Foreman

Hours: Full-time, permanent

Salary: Competitive, dependent on experience

About Underwoods

Underwoods is a long-established, family-run steel business with more than 170 years of trading history.

Our Fabrications division undertakes a diverse range of structural and architectural steelwork projects, from structural steel frames and staircases through to balustrades, access structures and complex bespoke fabrications.

As we enter an exciting new phase of investment and growth within our fabrication operation, we are looking to recruit an experienced Steel Fabricator / Welder to strengthen our workshop team.

The Role

We are looking for an experienced and skilled Steel Fabricator / Welder who can confidently work from engineering and fabrication drawings to manufacture high-quality steelwork.

The successful candidate will be comfortable working independently as well as part of a wider fabrication and project team and will take pride in producing accurate, high-quality work.

The role will primarily be workshop-based at our Worcester operation, with the potential to assist with site installation work where required.

Key Responsibilities

The role will include:

- Reading and interpreting engineering, fabrication and technical drawings.
- Fabricating structural and architectural steelwork accurately to specification.
- Measuring, marking out, cutting, drilling, grinding, preparing and assembling steel components.
- MIG/MAG welding of mild steel and associated fabricated components.

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- Setting out and assembling fabricated steelwork prior to welding.
- Checking dimensions, tolerances and finished work against drawings.
- Operating workshop machinery and fabrication equipment safely and correctly.
- Producing a high standard of weld and finished fabrication.
- Identifying drawing, material or fabrication issues before they affect production.
- Working closely with project engineers, workshop management and fellow fabricators.
- Completing quality checks and relevant production documentation.
- Maintaining a safe, clean and organised working environment.
- Following company health & safety, quality and PPE procedures at all times.
- Assisting with site installation where required.

Experience & Skills

Essential:

- Previous professional experience as a steel fabricator / welder.
- Strong ability to read and work independently from fabrication and engineering drawings.
- Experience fabricating structural or architectural steelwork.
- Competent MIG/MAG welding skills.
- Confident measuring, marking out and setting out steelwork.
- Experience using standard fabrication machinery, power tools and workshop equipment.
- Good understanding of fabrication tolerances and quality requirements.
- Ability to work accurately without constant supervision.
- Strong awareness of workshop health and safety.
- A positive, practical and team-focused approach.

Desirable:

- Recognised welding/fabrication qualifications.
- Current or previous coded welding qualifications.

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- Experience working within an EN 1090 / CE or UKCA-controlled fabrication environment.
- Experience fabricating staircases, balustrades, structural frames and bespoke architectural steelwork.
- Experience with site installation and erection of steelwork.
- Experience of stainless steel and/or aluminium fabrication.
- Forklift, overhead crane, MEWP or other relevant certifications.
- Full UK driving licence.

What We're Looking For

Technical ability is important, but so is attitude.

We are looking for someone who takes genuine pride in their fabrication work, understands the importance of accuracy and finish, and wants to be part of a business investing significantly in the future of its fabrication operation.

The right person will be dependable, proactive and comfortable taking responsibility for a fabrication from drawing through to completion.

What We Offer

- Permanent, full-time employment.
- Competitive salary based on experience and capability.
- Varied structural and architectural fabrication projects.
- Opportunity to work on projects from initial fabrication through to completed installation.
- Investment in modern equipment, systems and workshop capabilities.
- Training and development opportunities.
- Company workwear and PPE.
- The opportunity to join an established family business at an important stage in the growth of its fabrication division.

Underwoods is an equal opportunities employer.