

CHEMOXY INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

QC Laboratory Technician - Advanced Level Apprenticeship

ABOUT US

Chemoxy International Limited is one of Europe's largest contract manufacturers with over 140 years of operating experience. It has two sites on Teesside employing 134 people and it has a long established reputation for technical excellence, confidentiality and EH&S compliance

The site at Middlesbrough has been carrying out distillations since 1868 and the Billingham site was added to the portfolio in 1994. Chemoxy is now one of Europe's largest providers of custom manufacturing services to blue chip petrochemical and speciality chemical companies as well as to smaller companies with niche applications.

We like to build partnerships and enjoy long term relationships with many of our customers. We pride ourselves in our integrity, customer focus and reliability, amongst many other attributes.

ABOUT THE ROLE

Chemoxy is a great place to work and as a QC Lab Technician Apprentice you will be working in a busy Laboratory environment with a highly experienced team of Chemists. You will be employed directly by Chemoxy International Ltd under a maximum 32 month apprenticeship agreement, following the new employer-led Trailblazer Laboratory Technician Apprenticeship Standard – the first for Chemoxy! Your training plan will include a mixture of internal and external training, and will include day release to Redcar & Cleveland College to complete a BTEC L3 in Applied Science. You will also be mentored by a senior member of the team. The position is based primarily at the Billingham site though you may also be required to work at the Middlesbrough site.

You can expect to get involved in

- Analytical testing of raw materials, bulk, intermediate and finished products
- Performing a variety of tests/calibrations to aid in maintenance and certification of test instruments and apparatus.
- Maintaining and operating standard laboratory equipment (e.g. viscometers, pH meters, Gas Chromatographs).
- Preparing reagents, solutions, instruments and apparatus according to procedures to support QC testing activities.
- Recording and interpreting results
- Troubleshooting of analytical and instrument problems
- Working closely with production colleagues and interacting with other departments

The position is a 40 hour working week, Monday-Friday (08:00-16:00) with a salary that aligns with the national minimum wage rate for apprentices.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

Due to the technical experience you will gain from working in a laboratory, you will gain skills which many graduates have yet to develop. If you have the practical ability, mind-set to solve problems and have good communication skills and subject to proven competence at Level 3 and interest in progression, the company will consider supporting progression towards higher qualifications.

ABOUT YOU

You will have a great aptitude for learning - this is a role where you will need to get involved! You'll work hard, but will have fun doing so. We welcome new team members who bring fresh thinking but who are also ready to roll up their sleeves and get "stuck in". You will need to be confident, articulate and have very good communication and interpersonal skills.

Requirements

- Must have a minimum of 5 GCSE's at grade C or above including Maths, English and Science (Chemistry preferred)
- Must be eligible to work in the UK
- Excellent IT skills with experience of Microsoft Word and Excel
- Enjoys practical and hands-on approach to work

To apply for this role send a CV and covering letter to careers@chemoxy.com. Closing date for applications is 21st November 2014.

Interviews will be held in late November / early December 2014 and we would like the successful candidate to start work as soon as possible.

Your letter must cover the following points

- Why you would like to work for Chemoxy International Limited
- What makes you the best candidate for this apprenticeship position