

# APPRENTICE

## SEWER

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# ROGER LEWIS

WILTSHIRE

## JOB DESCRIPTION

Apprentice within the sewing and cutting team. The successful candidate will be enthusiastic and flexible, with a positive 'can do' attitude.

You will receive comprehensive training, benefiting from both structured training programs, and on the job teaching. From which you will learn practical hands on skills and techniques to produce different types of upholstered furniture

Being a sewer, you will be required to work in a wide range of production environments. Workplaces can be a variety of size from small work-shops through to large commercial factories; either way you will need to be able to work independently and as a part of team.

## KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Working on sewing and cutting machines to prepare fabrics for upholstery
- Learning how to programme and digitise a Lectra cutting machine
- Working with a large range of materials including fabrics and leathers
- Using a range of trimmings and finishings including buttons, facings and piping
- Using traditional methods such as slip stitch, tacking and hand sewing
- Use a range of hand tools including scissors, shears, staple lifter
- Good housekeeping and general labouring duties
- Checking stock levels and storage of stock/ inventory
- Working as part of a team on piece work production and ensuring good organisation of production workloads to maintain daily attainment to plan
- Minimise waste and ensure efficiencies with consumption of materials etc
- Adhere and maintain quality standards at all time
- Maintain accurate up to date records and meet tasks set within timeframe required

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Achieved level 1 English and maths (equivalent to GCSE grades 3 to 1 or D to G)
- Taken level 2 English and maths (equivalent to GCSE grades 9 to 4 or A\* to C)

## WHAT YOU'LL GET

- Advanced Apprenticeship in Modern Upholstery, traditional Upholstery, Supervision or Furniture Design and Prototyping
- Build a range of relevant skills
- Opportunity for progression and role expansion
- Joining a skilled, dynamic team

Our mission..

Design & make beautiful contemporary furniture through innovation, pride & passion. Inspire & enable all who connect with Roger Lewis to thrive & enjoy their own journey.

Our vision..

To create distinctive, customisable and sustainable designs that people seek out & revere for life.

## SKILLS

- to have an excellent, positive, can do attitude
- to be punctual and conscientious
- to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- the ability to use your initiative and work independently to work confidently under pressure to meet targets and deadlines (often fast-paced and multi-tasking)
- to work well with others as part of a team and communicate in a clear and effective manner (be able to follow written and verbal instructions)
- to have a flexible approach to workloads and be open to change and learning new skills
- to have the ability to develop strong internal relationships with team
- to be able to work within a factory environment as part of a team
- to be able to adjust to working on different designs and models of furniture
- to have basic numeracy and IT skills and be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device
- a desire to learn about design and have an interest in manufacturing production and processes
- the ability to learn how to use and maintain machines and tools
- to learn and fully comply with Health & Safety procedures
- to follow manual handling guidelines and procedures
- to adhere to the companies Quality Assurance

## ROLE INFORMATION

### HOURS OF WORK

40 hours per week (08:00-17:00)

### WORK ENVIRONMENT

Workshop/Office

### SALARY

TBC

### COURSE DURATION

Approx 16 months