

# SUPPLY CHAIN

# WAREHOUSE OPERATIVE



## Level 2 Apprenticeship

The broad purpose of the occupation is to handle goods safely in and out of the storage facility. This will involve unloading goods from lorries, trains, ships or planes, identifying and checking the products, and then putting them away in designated storage locations. Operatives will pick products from storage locations to fulfil customer orders. Some products may require repackaging prior to assembly for despatch. All orders will be checked and loaded onto the relevant form of transport allocated for delivery.

Warehouse operatives typically work in large buildings and often follow a shift pattern in order to provide a twenty-four-hour operation. A driving licence is not an absolute necessity but may be preferable for access to distribution centres located on out-of-town industrial estates, where public transport may not be available at shift start and finish times.

An employee in this occupation will be responsible for the safe handling of goods, the accurate placement of stock in the correct locations, and the accurate picking of products in accordance with received orders. This may include packing goods and ensuring that products are not damaged. In a smaller operation, they may be responsible for the entire process of receiving goods, storage, and despatching orders. They may be required to operate various forms of mechanical handling equipment, such as forklift trucks, cranes, pallet trucks, and reach trucks. They must operate all equipment safely and be aware of any specific regulations that may apply to the products being handled.

### Key information:

#### Typical Job Roles:

Fork lift truck operator, Picker, Store person  
Warehouse assistant, Warehouse operative,  
Warehouse person.

#### Duration:

15 months + End Point Assessment (EPA)/  
Apprenticeship Assessment (AA).

#### Minimum Off-the-job required hours (OTJT):

348 hrs over the duration of the programme.

#### Qualifications Gained:

- Level 2 Supply Chain Warehouse Operative Apprenticeship standard
- Level 2 Functional Skills Maths and English (if applicable)

#### Progression:

- Team Leader Level 3 Apprenticeship
- Supply Chain Practitioner Level 3 Apprenticeship

#### Programme Value:

£5,000 (funded by the Skills Levy or through government funding dependent on company size).

76% of employers say that training existing employees through apprenticeships improves staff retention, and 62% of apprentices stay working for the company that trained them after completion.



This programme can be tailored to your individual business needs. SR Apprenticeships can bespoke to ensure we incorporate your required knowledge, skills and behaviours. To find out more please contact [hello@sr-apprenticeships.co.uk](mailto:hello@sr-apprenticeships.co.uk) to arrange a call/meeting.