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Forklift Operator

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STRENGTHS

-  **Safety Awareness**
Consistently encourage peer engagement in safety best practices by leading pre-shift discussions. Impact steadily increases vigilance.
-  **Inventory Accuracy**
Attention to detail has led to improved inventory accuracy, ensuring optimal placement of products. Colleagues have come to rely on effectiveness.
-  **Communication Skills**
Effective communication fosters a cohesive team environment, facilitating quicker issue resolution and refined operational workflows.
-  **Problem Solving**
Proactively identify logistical challenges and develop solutions, contributing to efficient warehouse operations. Team guidance became pivotal during peak loads.
-  **Collaboration**
Work alongside diverse teams fosters camaraderie and shared success while achieving collective goals. Growth improved with diverse insights on endeavors.

SKILLS

- Forklift Operation
- Inventory Management
- Safety Protocols
- Team Collaboration
- Attention to Detail
- Effective Communication
- Loading/Unloading
- Data Entry Systems
- Problem Solving
- Replenishment
- Pallet Building
- Cycle Counting

SUMMARY

Dedicated equipment operator with over a year of experience in fast-paced warehouse environments. Demonstrated expertise in forklift operation and adherence to safety protocols foster strong operational outcomes. Proven ability to manage inventory effectively while maintaining high standards of accuracy is essential for success. A team player recognized for effective communication skills that bolster teamwork and promote a safe work environment. Eager to leverage hands-on skills and attention to detail to contribute significantly to operational success across the organization.

EXPERIENCE

Forklift Operator

GreenLeaf Logistics  June 2025 - Present  Chicago, IL

Responsible for operating equipment to manage warehouse operations and enhance productivity. Focused on adhering to safety protocols, ensuring compliance through routine checks, and directly contributing to the organization's operational success.

- Operate forklifts and pallet riders daily, transporting goods efficiently within a busy warehouse environment.
- Conduct thorough safety inspections on equipment and report malfunctions or hazards promptly to supervisors.
- Assist in loading/unloading merchandise from trailers, accurately placing products in designated zones according to workflow needs.
- Maintain meticulous inventory records using manual systems and RF technology, optimizing stock management processes.
- Participate actively in safety training sessions, promoting compliance with cGMPs among all team members.
- Collaborate closely with colleagues to maintain stock levels and streamline inventory flow throughout shifts.

Warehouse Associate

Swift Distribution  January 2025 - May 2025  Aurora, IL

Engaged in critical support activities for warehouse operations focusing on efficiency and safety, working collaboratively with peers to achieve seamless task execution. Responsible for upholding best practices in inventory handling.

- Assisted with daily operations including sorting, packing, and shipping goods to ensure prompt delivery and customer satisfaction.
- Enhanced inventory management by conducting regular counts, tracking discrepancies, and supporting reconciliations.
- Operated hand and power equipment following strict safety procedures, consistently protecting team members and minimizing risks.
- Ensured cleanliness and organization of work areas to comply with stringent safety regulations, enhancing operational efficiency.
- Maintained open communication with team members, proactively resolving operational issues to minimize downtime.
- Recognized by leadership for sustaining high accuracy rates during inventory management processes.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Employee of the Month for outstanding performance and safety adherence in April 2026
- Certified Forklift Operation Excellence Award for continuous improvement in operations March 2025

EDUCATION

High School Diploma 1/2

Team Engagement

Equipment Safety

Customer Satisfaction

LANGUAGES

English Native

Spanish Intermediate

MY CAREER



- Forklift Operator at GreenLeaf Logistics (1.2 Years)
- Warehouse Associate at Swift Distribution (4 Months)

Chicago High School 🎓 GPA: 3.6 📅 2024 📍 Chicago, IL
Coursework: Mathematics, Science, English, Business Management

CERTIFICATIONS

- Forklift Certification 📅 2025
- Safety Training Certification 📅 2025

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Warehouse Operations:** Forklifts, Pallet Riders, Inventory Control
- Safety Practices:** cGMP, Safety Inspections, Hazard Reporting
- Inventory Technologies:** RF Scanners, Manual Counts, Data Entry Systems
- Maintenance Procedures:** Cleaning Protocols, Equipment Inspections, Damage Reporting
- Team Effectiveness:** Collaboration Tools, Communication Platforms, Team Meetings
- Operational Improvement:** Process Streamlining, Best Practice Sharing, Continuous Feedback
- Loading Procedures:** Shipment Tracking, Product Placement, Organization Methods
- Training Procedures:** Safety Training, Peer Learning, Skill Enhancement
- Reporting Standards:** Safety Reporting, Performance Metrics, Schedule Coordination
- Operational Policies:** Practice Compliance, Regulation Adherence, Workplace Safety

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member of Local Warehouse Safety Committee advocating for workplace safety and employee well-being.
- Active participant in community clean-up events promoting safety and environmental awareness.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST