



MILL OPERATIONS

POSITIONS IN THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY



MATERIAL HANDLER

OTHER JOB TITLES: *stock keeper, bin filler, box filler, bulk materials loader operator, forklift operator, warehouseperson, equipment operator.*

IF YOU WANT GOOD PAY, OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN ON THE JOB, A GREAT LIFESTYLE AND THE CHANCE TO WORK IN CANADA'S GREENEST WORKFORCE, THEN THE FOREST PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IS RIGHT FOR YOU.

Why green? The forests are a renewable natural resource and the Canadian forest products industry is known for its world-class environmental credentials, including having the most certified forests in the world, and cutting more than 70% of its greenhouse gas emissions since 1990.

The industry offers something for everyone. It's an industry with a reputation for investing in skills training and career growth, and no matter what part of the forest products industry you work in - on the mill floor as a mechanical engineer, or in the forest as a forestry technician - every job is part of the greenest industry in Canada.

Canadian forest product companies will need to hire 60,000, or more, **new workers by 2020** to meet demand and you could be one of them!

DESCRIPTION

These workers handle, move, stack, load and unload materials by hand or with equipment like forklifts. In a sawmill, you might find yourself stacking lumber and getting it ready for shipping. Attaching labels and keeping track of materials could also be part of your day-to-day work.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Material handlers perform a wide range of functions. On any given day at a mill, you might:

- operate winches and other loading devices
- load and unload materials onto and off trucks, railway cars and loading docks
- operate industrial trucks, tractors, loaders and other equipment to transport materials to and from transportation vehicles and loading docks
- store and retrieve materials in warehouses
- connect hoses or pipes and operate equipment to load and unload chemical or other liquids into or from tanks



THIS JOB IS RIGHT FOR YOU IF...

- you want to live an oversized life in one of Canada's beautiful forest communities
- a sense of community is important to you
- you want to make a difference working in a green job
- you are a team player
- you are physically strong
- you don't want to stay in school
- you want to work in hiking boots, not dress shoes

\$ EARNING POTENTIAL



This is the high end of the Canadian average. In some areas, materials handlers make up to \$35 per hour.

+ BENEFITS MAY INCLUDE

- Apprenticeships
- Career growth
- Daycare
- Dental and medical plans
- Employee assistance plans
- Pensions
- Ongoing training

🍏 EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Getting a high school diploma or an equivalent qualification is always a good idea. Material handlers learn on the job. Here is a complete list of Canadian Universities and Colleges: thegreenestworkforce.ca/education

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