



Lead Quality Engineer

Company Overview

Speedball Art Products Company is a leader in the art industry, marketing, manufacturing, and distributing high quality art supplies to artists, educators, students, and crafters throughout the world. The Speedball pen nib has been around since 1899, and Speedball has been an independent art supply company since 1997. Speedball is a lean, entrepreneurial enterprise that has been growing consistently and plans to continue to do so. Speedball invests heavily into its human resources and believes that its success is dependent upon the quality and passion of its people and their ability to work effectively together as a team. We service national chains like Michael's, Hobby Lobby, Staples, ship to over (60) countries and source materials around the globe. Current Speedball ink and paint formulations are targeted towards screen-printing, block-printing, calligraphy, ceramic and adhesive categories.

(See www.speedballart.com to learn more)

Summary

The Lead Quality Engineer is a new position to Speedball. The successful candidate will thrive on making positive changes within a growing company.

The Lead Quality Engineer position will be responsible for ensuring products and services perform to quality standards, regulations, and specifications. The position will be responsible for quality assurance of products, manufacturing processes, conformance in manufacturing, incoming goods control, and product inspection. The Lead Quality Engineer will be responsible for effectively maintaining and producing the highest level of quality as it relates to the formulation of all products mixed and produced, including establishing and maintaining Quality Control Procedures and Standards.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Implements, maintains, and audits company quality systems.
- Manages one lab technician
- First point of contact to handle internal and external quality issues and drives timely and effective corrective actions.
- Design and implement methods for process control, process improvement, testing and inspection to ensure products achieve design and functional specifications
- Develops control and inspection plans for products as well as incoming materials and components.
- Communicates quality issues to production personnel through work aids.
- Work with marketing team to discuss their quality expectations including details about performance and visual appearance for new products.
- Observe production process and identify how to automate certain steps to create more consistent quality and improve efficiency
- Prepare reports by collecting, analyzing and summarizing data

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Bachelor's Degree in Engineering
- 5+ years of product development experience in quality, manufacturing, and/or engineering environments
- Experience developing process quality plans, supplier quality audits, and driving corrective actions
- Six Sigma Lean Certification (preferred)
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to manage a variety of quality topics
- Positive approach to quality improvement activities
- Attention to Detail



- Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving Skills
- Experience with risk assessment

Benefits

- Health/Dental Insurance
- Competitive Vacation Package
- (10) paid holidays
- 401k – dollar for dollar matching up to 6%
- STD, LTD, Life insurance, all available after meeting qualifications
- Bonus plan
- Tuition Reimbursement

Salary will be commensurate with experience, skills, and qualifications.