

Railroad Shop Maintenance Technician

Northern Central Railway of York is searching for an experienced mechanical technician to perform equipment and facility maintenance. This person will repair and maintain train engines, coaches, tracks, and buildings at our New Freedom, PA station. This position will also assist with train operations on scheduled excursions. Prior experience in the railroad industry is not required. On-the-job training and certification in railroad operations and Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) requirements will be provided. The work schedule is full-time and will require weekends during the operating season.

Northern Central Railway of York is an excursion railroad that makes time travel possible! We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, educational, charitable organization, located in New Freedom, PA. Our historic attraction, with a replica 1860s steam locomotive and a 1959 GP9 diesel locomotive, hosts excursions that educate, entertain, and enlighten.

Essential Functions:

- Responsible for equipment maintenance to include repairs of equipment, painting, brake work, and steam and diesel engine repairs and maintenance.
- Responsible for general building maintenance to include repairs of plumbing, electrical, and mechanical equipment.
- Assist in repairs to the structure of rail equipment to include welding, grinding, painting, and replacing parts.
- Perform maintenance and compliance testing for air braking systems.
- Keep all rolling stock and motive power in a clean and ready state for use.
- Clear hazards from the track to include trees and other debris.
- Ensure safety of all individuals on or near the train and ensure compliance with all safety rules and procedures.
- Facilitate the safe and efficient operation of the train and crew – perform equipment inspections and brake tests, communicate with engineer while train in operation.
- Function as a fireman when needed for steam and diesel operations.
- Provide exceptional customer service to create guest satisfaction.
- Assist with passenger boarding and seating; handle guest problems or requests; and assist guests to disembark from the train.
- Maintain cleanliness of coaches and public areas during and after operations.

Requirements:

- Valid driver's license
- Able to operate motor vehicles and other equipment
- Basic knowledge of locomotives, boiler mechanics, and air brake systems
- Basic understanding of mechanics, electrical, and plumbing practices
- Experience in machine shop operations and procedures
- Fabrication, welding, and basic carpentry skills
- Proficient in the use of machine, power, and hand tools
- Field experience in commercial construction or railroad maintenance industry
- Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) knowledge and experience preferred

- Safety first focus
- Basic math skills
- Pass pre-employment and random drug screening and physical

Working Conditions:

- Able to work around loud machines and equipment
- Able to work in all kinds of weather conditions
- Able to lift 70 pounds
- Strong vision and hearing abilities including ability to see and read hand signals from near and far, distinguish between colors, visually judge the speed and distance of moving objects, see at night, and recognize changes of sound
- Walk, bend, kneel, stoop, crouch, climb, stand, or sit for long periods and maintain good balance
- Finger dexterity, operation of motor vehicle, and operation of equipment
- Exposure to chemicals, noise, dust, and heights

To Apply:

- Download our application from the Open Positions page at www.northerncentralrailway.com or contact Terri Lehman at 717-942-2370 ext. 101
- Return your application via email to lehman@northerncentralrailway.com or via mail to Northern Central Railway Attn. Terri Lehman P.O. Box 128 New Freedom, PA 17349