

Production Planner – Signal Plastics

Who we are and what we do:

The Omega Plastics Group was created in 2015 by bringing together two tooling and plastic injection moulding businesses – Omega Plastics and Signal Plastics.

We provide a full turn-key solution of low to high volume tooling and plastic injection moulding services, operating across 4 main sectors: Automotive, Medical, Industrial and Technical Products, and Consumer Products.

Our technical expertise and reputation for delivering solutions to challenging problems or in short timeframes allows us to assist customers from product conception through the development cycle and into serial production.

We are a growing business with a workforce of over 160 colleagues and we continue to invest in our people, infrastructure and facilities. Omega Plastics has a 45,000 sq. ft facility on Team Valley Trading Estate in Gateshead, which is also our Group head office, and Signal Plastics operates from a 43,500 sq. ft facility on Bentall Business Park in Washington.

All colleagues contribute to the success of the business. To recognise this, we offer a competitive salary and benefits package and invest in the training and development our colleagues. We believe this ensures they are engaged and motivated to drive the Group forward.

More information about us can be found at <http://www.omegaplasticsgroup.co.uk/>

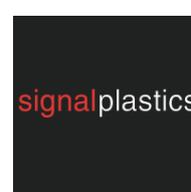
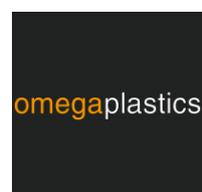
The role

Signal Plastics specialises in high volume plastic injection moulding for the automotive and industrial sectors. We operate 24 hours a day, 5 days a week with 13 injection moulding presses ranging in size from 40 tonnes to 1,300 tonnes, some with robot demoulding and packing capability.

We are looking to recruit an experienced **Production Planner** to create short and long-term plans to ensure that our moulding production and assembly teams can deliver our customers' components in line with their expectations and our safety and quality processes. This is a fantastic opportunity for someone with the right skills, experience and enthusiasm to contribute to the growth of a dynamic business.

The role comes with a salary of **between £27,000 and £30,000** (depending on qualifications, skills and experience), 25 days annual leave (plus statutory holidays), Company Pension, Death in Service cover, Employee Assistance Programme, Cycle to Work scheme and other benefits. It is a permanent, full-time role based at our site in Washington, Tyne and Wear.

All candidates must be currently eligible to live and work in the UK.

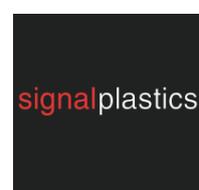
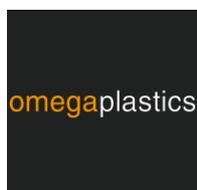


Reports to: Head of Operations

Working with: Production Manager; NPI, Tooling TPM & CI Manager, Materials & Logistics Controller

Main duties include:

- Produce the output plan - Create production and assembly plans, prioritising appropriately to meet external and internal customer needs. Liaise with NPI and Tooling to understand what trial activities are required. Discuss planned machine downtime with maintenance and factor into plans. Determine manpower, equipment and raw materials needed to cover production demand. Consider material content and set up times when planning production runs to minimise scrap and maximise output.
- Works orders and job performance - Create and issue works orders, debrief and close works orders appropriate on part or full completion, ensuring that correct levels are consumed and reflected in raw material and finished goods stocks. Monitor job performance and escalate any underperforming jobs to the NPI, Tooling TPM & CI Manager for corrective actions.
- React to change – Work with the Production Manager to adjust the plan accordingly if/when there are issues with machinery, people or process. Update colleagues promptly if it appears deadlines may not be met and contribute to corrective action planning.
- Improving performance - Measure production achievement and present KPIs to the Head of Operations daily, weekly and monthly on performance.
- Cross-functional working – Contribute to daily, weekly, monthly operational and project meetings as and when required, advising colleagues of issues and capacity constraints.
- Capacity and utilization - monitor capacity, machine utilization and downtime. Conduct studies and advise colleagues of any matters that may affect service delivery.
- Relationships - Develop long-term relationships and strong rapport with customers and colleagues to continually improve internal and external customer experience and results. Work closely with Commercial, Tooling and Finance teams to supply meaningful information to support our strategic objectives.
- Continuous Improvement - Contribute to the departmental and business continuous improvement initiatives. Actively put forward suggestions and support colleagues in implanting ideas.
- Create a safety-first environment - Ensure the safety and wellbeing of all colleagues, contractors and visitors, by maintaining the highest standards of housekeeping, behaviour and adherence to procedures and agreed working practices.
- Carry out any other duties not listed above as may reasonably be expected of the role



The ideal candidate

We are looking for someone with the right experience, skills and attitude to join our team. These include:

- Proven experience as a production planner within a fast-paced manufacturing environment, preferably in the automotive sector
- IT and MS Office skills (very good understanding of Excel), with experience of using Sage 200 or another MRP/ERP platform desirable
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Excellent communication, attention to detail, organisational and time management skills.
- Understanding of quality management systems such as ISO9001 or ISO13485
- Passionate, proactive, resilient and flexible with an ability to work under pressure and within time constraints
- Commitment to the health and safety of all colleagues

To apply for this role, please send a **covering letter setting out why you are suitable for this role** together with a **CV setting out qualifications and experience** to careers@omega-plastics.co.uk by **5pm on 13 August 2021**.

