

Journeyman Fitter - South Bend, IN

Founded in 1969, Abtrex Industries has been delivering engineered industrial solutions for nearly 60 years. We are a leading rubber liner and industrial fabrication company specializing in metal fabrication, rubber lining, wear protection, and corrosion-resistant systems for mission-critical applications. Abtrex designs and fabricates ASME pressure vessels, storage/processing tanks, and other ancillary equipment including piping, tumblers, and hoppers.

We are currently looking for a **journeyman-level Fitter** to join our team. This position calls for a seasoned tradesperson with advanced blueprint-reading, layout, fitting, and fabrication skills who can take a job from print to finished assembly with minimal supervision.

Responsibilities:

- Read, interpret, and follow blueprints, technical drawings, routing instructions, and project specifications
- Independently lay out, fit, and assemble tanks, piping, and other fabricated components
- Measure, mark, cut, and prepare materials for fabrication
- Plan the work and determine the proper fit-up sequence to accurately assemble parts
- Maintain required dimensions and tolerances without close oversight
- Use measuring instruments and fabrication tools accurately
- Inspect completed work for quality and accuracy, taking ownership of the finished product
- Follow established fabrication procedures
- Safely operate shop tools and equipment
- Coordinate with welders and other tradespeople to complete projects efficiently
- Share knowledge with and help guide apprentices and less experienced fitters
- Maintain a clean and safe work area

Qualifications:

- Minimum of 5 years of professional fitting and fabrication experience, with journeyman-level proficiency in the trade.
- Completion of a formal apprenticeship or equivalent hands-on trade experience
- Proven ability to read and analyze blueprints and technical drawings

- Strong mechanical and mathematical skills, including shop math and layout geometry
- Ability to work independently to lay out, fit, and accurately assemble fabricated components
- Plate and pipe fabrication experience, including shell rolling, seam alignment, and squaring and leveling large assemblies
- Ability to use measuring instruments and shop tools
- Thorough knowledge of fabrication shop safety practices
- Ability to tack weld components to code
- Welding experience is preferred
- Ability to pass required weld testing per ASME/AWS specifications, if applicable
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- Reliable transportation and willingness to travel when needed
- Reliable attendance
- Must pass a pre-employment background check and drug screening

Benefits offered by the company:

- 401(k)
- 401(k) matching
- Dental insurance
- Health insurance
- Health savings account
- Life insurance
- Paid time off
- Vision insurance
- Short Term Disability
- HR recognition platform
- Paid Holidays

Wage starting at: \$26-\$30 DOE