

Journeyman Welder 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 an experienced **journeyman 6G Welder** to join our tank-building and fabrication shop. This position requires a well-rounded tradesperson with strong pipe welding, fitting, fabrication, and blueprint-reading skills who can work independently and produce quality welds the first time.

Responsibilities:

- Perform journeyman-level 6G pipe welding and other welding work required for tanks, piping, and custom-fabricated equipment.
- Read, interpret, and work from blueprints, shop drawings, welding symbols, and specifications.
- Independently fit, assemble, and weld components according to project requirements.
- Follow established welding procedures (WPS) and maintain required tolerances.
- Inspect completed work for quality and accuracy, taking ownership of the finished product.
- Safely operate welding equipment, measuring tools, and other shop machinery.
- Follow all company safety practices and maintain a clean, organized work area.
- Work closely with fitters, fabricators, and other tradespeople to complete projects efficiently.
- Share knowledge with and help guide apprentices and less experienced welders.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of 10 years of professional welding experience, with journeyman-level command of the trade.
- Completion of a formal welding apprenticeship or equivalent hands-on trade experience.
- Current 6G welding qualification or the ability to pass a 6G weld test.
- Strong pipe welding and fitting experience.
- Experience welding carbon steel and stainless steel; alloy experience is a plus.

- Previous fabrication experience, including the ability to accurately lay out, fit, and assemble components.
- Proven ability to read and analyze blueprints, technical drawings, and welding specifications.
- Ability to work independently to lay out, fit, and accurately assemble fabricated components
- Experience working in a tank-building or heavy industrial fabrication shop.
- Thorough knowledge of welding safety practices and proper equipment operation.
- Ability to use measuring instruments and verify completed work against project specifications.
- Reliable attendance and a strong commitment to craftsmanship and producing quality work.
- ASME welding experience is preferred.
- Submerged arc welding experience is a plus.
- Must pass 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