

Breeder Technician

Facility : Goshen – Live Operations

Job Status : Salary

Role : Individual Contributor

PRIMARY FUNCTION:

Primarily responsible for providing routine test measurements and samples for assigned breeder farms.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND TASKS:

- Develop and maintain an open and working relationship with assigned contract growers.
- Record and report pullet weights.
- Monitor and observe vaccination crews.
- Assist in moving pullets into hen houses
- Weigh birds according to schedule.
- Draw blood according to state and federal programs.
- Monitor farm conditions.
- Monitor bird health.
- Report farm issues to Breeder Manager as needed.
- Check equipment at farm.
- Ensure animal welfare guidelines are followed.

REQUIRED TECHNICAL SKILLS:

- High School Diploma or equivalent.
- Demonstrated ability to draw blood from live animals.
- Solid mathematical calculation functions and skills for proper record keeping and vaccination mixtures.
- Basic computer functions and skills.
- Ability to manage multiple tasks and projects simultaneously and prioritize work accordingly.
- Ability to work unsupervised and self-motivate.
- Ability to work nights, weekends, holidays and extended shift hours.
- Ability to read, write comprehend and speak fluent English.
- Sound work ethic, honesty and moral character.

PREFERRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Previous poultry industry experience within similar environment.
- Associate's Degree in Biology, Poultry Science, or related field from an accredited institution.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:

- Follow departmental and company safety policies and programs.
- Must wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Frequently lifts up to 50 lbs.
- Frequently lifts overhead.
- Walks in an outside environment (including inclement weather conditions) on a daily basis, ranging from one to several miles per day.
- Works in an environment with strong, foul odors.
- Frequently uses visual skills to inspect birds, production charts and scales.
- Must use smelling senses to distinguish irregular odors.
- Frequently enters confined space areas.
- Frequently exposed to heat (incubators are 99.5 degrees Fahrenheit).
- Frequently reaching, bending, stooping, kneeling and crawling.