

Excellent Opportunity in our Marden Packhouse MIQA (Quality Assurance Goods In)

The S&A Group is the UK's largest independent strawberry grower. The Group, which also produces asparagus, uses modern and innovative growing techniques and has a thriving year-round soft fruit import business. Our principal customers include the major multiple food retailers.

Fruit in supermarkets today must be high quality to provide nutritional benefits and remain attractive to consumers. Fresh fruits must be shipped quickly and stored correctly to retain their quality. Thus, regular fruit quality testing is necessary at several supply chain stages to ensure that fruits maintain their quality and freshness.

Our produce is picked, graded, packaged, and delivered to our customers within 24 hours to ensure that our fruits are fresh, tasty, and as natural as possible.

At our main packaging facility in Marden, we store, pack, and distribute around C30 million units of UK and imported production each year; we operate up to 8 packaging lines, which are installed with checkweighters, heat sealers and thermal printers.

We are excited to offer the following opportunity within our Packhouse team in Marden, Herefordshire:

MIQA

Reporting to the QA Manager, the role's main purpose is the inspection of the delivered product to the site from our UK farms and suppliers worldwide, ensuring the product is within customer specifications.

The primary duties and responsibilities are:

- Completing all related documents to support the company quality policies.
- Daily use of the ERP system.
- Supplier verification.
- Quality reports creation.
- Assuring the product quality online.

You will also be expected to:

- Guide and support the operations/production team against customer quality standards.
- Ensure product quality is reported verbally, on reports, or via email to the relevant teams.
- Positively communicate with internal and external teams regarding product quality.
- Positively work with colleagues to achieve the production plan within the quality parameters.
- Be involved in internal audits and document control.
- Report product shelf-life.

Are you the Ideal Candidate?

You should have previous experience as a QA / MIQA and some qualifications related to the food industry and also:

- Good level of English
- Understanding of Fast Moving Consumer Goods
- Experience in a factory environment
- Microsoft Office knowledge
- Ability to communicate professionally and competently.

This is a full-time position, working 5 out of 7 days a week agreed in advance on a rota basis (8 hours per day). However, a level of flexibility would be required during our peak season.

On-the-job training and support will be provided in addition to HACCP and hygiene training for the successful candidate.

Please apply by email to **halideliyski@sagroup.co.uk** and attach an up to-date CV and confirmation that you have read our Candidate Privacy Notice, available on our website.

A full Job Description is available upon request.







