



Based in the North West, Niche Drinks is a manufacturer of premium alcoholic beverages and is now seeking to appoint the following on a 3 year contract:

**Operations Higher Level Apprentice  
Job Reference Number OHLA 142**

The successful candidate will work in all areas of production including laboratory, processing and packing lines; Technical, Quality Systems, NPD and Supply Chain departments to assist in the production of cream liqueurs and other beverages. At the same time, they will attend CAFRE (Loughry Campus) on block release through the year for the duration of their 3-year contract whilst studying for the Foundation Degree in Food and Drink Manufacturing.

Applicants must have a minimum of 3 GCSEs (including English Language, Mathematics and a science subject) at grade C or above. Applicants must have, or will have achieved before the start of September 2025, a minimum of two A-Levels or equivalent qualifications (which could include a Level 3 Extended Diploma or Level 3 Apprenticeship).

Successful candidates must have the ability to work on their own initiative; they will be good team workers and must be flexible with regard to overtime working including early mornings, weekends and shifts. Applicants should have a high level of manual dexterity and be able to maintain our high standards of personal hygiene, workplace cleanliness and quality.

It is desirable that applicants have some experience in a factory environment as well as being computer literate, especially in MS office.

Please write or telephone for an application pack for the above post, quoting the Job Reference Number to: -

The Monitoring Officer  
Niche Drinks Company Limited  
10 Rosstown Road  
Derry/ Londonderry  
BT47 6NS  
Tel: 028 71343434

Email: [info@nichedrinks.com](mailto:info@nichedrinks.com)

When completing the application form, applicants **must** demonstrate how they meet the essential and desirable criteria. Please do not submit a CV with application or in lieu of application forms.

**The closing date for receipt of completed application forms is 5:00pm Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025.**

**We are an equal opportunity employer committed to employing the best persons for the job, irrespective of religion, politics, race, gender, sexual orientation or disability.**

## JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Operations HLA	
DEPARTMENT: Operations	
REPORTS TO: Director of Operations	
DATE WRITTEN 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	No. Employed in Job:
EMPLOYEE NAME:	

### 2. JOB PURPOSE

To work in all areas of laboratory, processing and packing lines; Technical, Quality Systems, NPD and Supply Chain departments to produce cream liqueur and other alcoholic beverages in accordance with the production plan and to the required specifications.

### 3. KEY TASKS

Carry out duties of Production Operator/ QA Tech/ NPD Tech when working in the relevant department.

Operation of production and/or laboratory equipment.

Maintain all relevant records to meet legislation and internal Quality Management Systems.

Clean and maintain all tanks, plant and pipe work, wall and floor surfaces etc to meet an acceptable hygiene standard.

Contribute to problem solving within the Operations department.

Assist in staff training.

Participate in internal and third party audits.

Assist in other areas of the business when/if necessary.

Carry out all duties within the Company's HACCP and Health and Safety procedures.

Adhere to all company policies and procedures, including company Health & Safety Policy and Equal Opportunities Policy.

This is not an exhaustive list of duties and may be added to or deleted from as required to meet the changing needs of the business.