



## APPRENTICESHIPS

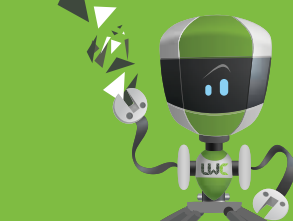
Established in 1920, the Leeds Welding Company was the first welding company to set up in Leeds. The company has continued to grow year on year, through investment in the latest machinery, increasing building space and upskilling its workforce.

With customers that span a range of sectors, from the trailer industry, retail, airline and our latest agricultural division, we see a bright and positive future ahead.

Our apprentices will contribute to the successful future of LWC by learning and developing the skills required to work in a manufacturing and engineering environment, whilst bringing continuity to LWC.



It has been perfect. I've got to spend the last year developing my skills, learning about parts and process. I come to work, go to college, and get paid while I learn. Overall, I certainly feel like I am required and needed to do my job.







## Our fabrication facility

LWC's press-shop includes a range of press brake machinery, with different tonnage capacities, and a variety of top and bottom tooling that will allow our team to create bespoke pressings from flat sheet steel. The most commonly used method for forming/bending steel at LWC is Air Bending. This method utilises the press brake machine, equipped with a top punching tool and a bottom V tool. The fabrication department extends over several thousand square feet and is equipped with modern welding equipment enabling us to manufacture either customer or LWC branded products utilising MIG, MAG or TIG welding techniques.

## Manufacturing Skills

**Apprentices will work with our skilled team of employees at LWC to gain a full range of abilities and will learn our manufacturing process, from concept to completion.**

- ▶ Research & Development
- ▶ Design & Engineering
- ▶ CNC/Laser Machine Programming
- ▶ Forming/Pressing
- ▶ MIG/MAG/TIG or Robot Welding
- ▶ Assembly Work
- ▶ Finishing/Spray Painting

## Office Skills

There are always opportunities to get involved with the running of the business and apprentices will work along side teams in the office departments to learn new skills. Whilst we manufacture, we also need good and enthusiastic young people to keep our company moving forward.

### Skills include:

- ▶ Involved in the process of reviewing risk assessments & COSHH assessments
- ▶ Involved in Health & Safety
- ▶ Clocking accurate production times
- ▶ Booking jobs in and out
- ▶ Documenting pre-use inspections on machinery & equipment
- ▶ Performing quality checks on their work
- ▶ Opportunities to participate in out of work events such as careers fairs.



## Apprenticeship recruitment

**At LWC, we are committed to developing our future talent and aim to recruit 5 new apprentices each year.**

**LWC support the Leeds Manufacturing Festival. Find out more here:**  
[www.leedsmanufacturingfestival.co.uk](http://www.leedsmanufacturingfestival.co.uk)



Each year, there are opportunities for young people to visit LWC and take a factory tour to find out what we are all about. Factory tours are usually hosted in April and October as part of the Leeds Manufacturing Trek and are a great opportunity to see our in-house processes at work.

You can also find LWC at other local events that we participate in throughout the year such as; careers fairs, mock interview days and events for women in manufacturing.

Some of our existing apprentices applied to LWC following a visit to our company or after speaking with our team at one of these events.

We are currently supporting apprentices that are in their first, second, third and final year of their apprenticeship.

## What is the format of our apprenticeship?

Our apprenticeships are managed by local training centres based no more than 10 miles away from LWC. Successful apprentices will train one day per week at a local training centre and work four days per week at LWC, where you develop the fundamental fabrication skills necessary for the role.

You will develop skills such as understanding how to read and interpret technical drawings, as well as learning how to use equipment such as laser cutting, pressing/forming and welding machines. We ensure that our apprentices are exposed to a variety of different activities within the manufacturing process.

**We offer Engineering Operative Level 2 Apprenticeships as well as Welder/Fabricator Level 3 Apprenticeships**

If you are interested in a fully paid apprenticeship, please register your interest with LWC by scanning this code.

