

Recruitment Pack

A photograph of two scientists, a man and a woman, in a laboratory setting. They are both wearing white lab coats and hairnets. The man is wearing blue gloves and holding a tablet computer, while the woman looks on. In the background, there is industrial equipment, likely part of a food processing plant.

Quality Assurance Assistant
Sion Mills

Background to Mulrines

Mulrines of Donegal is Ireland's premier juice production company which produces juices, and smoothies for wholesale, retail and food services throughout Ireland and the UK. Established in 1919, with a century of experience behind them, and still a family owned business, Mulrines are continuing to build a valued reputation for excellence, innovation and industry leadership.

Today, Mulrines is a robust and financially-secure business built on strong relationships of trust and confidence. The business manufactures and stocks a wide range of standard and specialised juice product ranges as well as smoothies and non-dairy drinks. It is a major player in customer-brand juice and smoothies with long-term relationships with major international retailers. It is uniquely positioned to continuously meet the specialised needs of its valued clients across retail and foodservice.

Mulrines produces a range of quality fruit juices and smoothies for the retail and foodservice sectors that are popular with discerning consumers and business customers across Ireland and internationally. Well-known brands include Kulana, Juice Press and Jaffa Gold.

Mulrines is the only scale producer in either Ireland or the UK that is fully vertically integrated, in that it grows its fruit, processes it and then sells the finished juice. Its 300-acre orchard, located in the majestic countryside in Co Kildare, is the home to approximately 135,500 trees made up of different apple varieties. A key element of the company strategy is to become increasingly self-sufficient while controlling the quality and supply of our products from the orchard to glass.

Mulrines is proud to supply national customers with 100% pure Irish juice handled through every step of the process from harvesting the fruit in Kildare to bottling the juice in Ballybofey and Sion Mills while embracing the "glove-to-glass" concept to deliver fruit juice of the highest quality.



Juice Brands

Kulana

This is Mulrines long established family favourite brand of 100% Pure juices from concentrate, competitively priced, that is ideally suited to both householders and caterers alike. The 1-litre range consists of Orange, Apple, Pineapple, Grapefruit and Tomato Juice. The 200ml range comes in Orange, Apple & Pineapple, with Orange and Apple “Juicy” the newest school-compliant additions to the range.



Juice Press

The premium range “Juice Press” comprises a complete range of products, NFC and Juice Drinks including Mulrines Irish Pressed” Apple Not From Concentrate; meeting all the needs of retailers and the hospitality industry.

Jaffa Gold

Jaffa Gold is a very competitively priced Juice Drink range, which is both refreshing and Delicious. It is available in a range of flavours Orange, Apple, Tropical, Apple & Blackcurrant and Cranberry all with No Added Sugar. Jaffa Gold Splash is a 250ml range of fun Juice Drinks which are very competitively priced and contain NO Artificial Colours, Flavours or Preservatives.



Job Profile

Title: Quality Assurance Assistant

Location: 11 Mill Avenue, Sion Mills, Strabane, BT82 9HE

Reporting To: Quality Manager

Hours: Full Time – 40hours/week

The Role

The role of Quality Assurance Assistant will involve assisting the Quality Manager with the implementation, monitoring and delivery of Quality Systems within a busy food manufacturing environment, ensuring the production of safe, quality products which adhere to quality, customer and legislative standards and specifications.

Duties & Responsibilities

- Assist the Quality Manager in the implementation and review of the site HACCP plan
- Conduct internal audits (Hygiene, GMP, GHP) ensuring compliance with agreed standards escalating issues to the Quality Manager & Senior Management
- Conducting & Verifying daily QC checks such as temperature, Brix Testing, Organoleptic testing, label and quality cross-referencing product specifications
- Raising and issuing Supplier and Site Non-Conformance records assisting investigations as required
- Completing daily / weekly checks, such as probe calibration and chemical concentrations
- Assist the Quality Manager with external audits (BRC, EHO, Customer etc), implementing corrective actions and root cause investigations as required
- Coordination of Pest Control, Customer, Supplier and third-party visits
- Maintain Quality Manual, Records and SOP's
- Implementing procedures and training staff through staff inductions and refresher training, including the training of staff in SOPs and Work Instructions
- Assist with the maintenance and administration of Operator training records, highlighting and escalating training needs in line with agreed SOP's
- Dealing with External & Internal Customer Complaints, investigating, reporting and escalating findings to the Quality Manager
- Issue and manage allocation of lockers, PPE and operator equipment to the floor
- Preparation of samples for external micro testing, recording and analysing results, reporting weekly and monthly trends and escalating concerns.
- Monitoring and verification daily of CCP's and general operational paperwork
- Assisting with traceability's
- Any other ad hoc duties as required

The Post Holder

This post is ideally suited to someone who is from a Quality Assurance and Compliance background.

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Education & Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A level or equivalent level qualification in Science or Business and1 years' experience in a Quality Assurance / Laboratory / Audit role	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Third Level Qualification in a Food Technology/Science related Discipline and2 years' experience in a Quality Assurance / Laboratory / Audit role
	OR in the Absence of the above Educational Criteria 3 years' experience in a Quality Assurance / Laboratory / Audit role	
Additional Skills / Qualifications		<ul style="list-style-type: none">Food Safety / HACCP Training / QualificationExperience analysing data via advanced Excel / MS Power BIExperience working to BRC or equivalent Standards

The ideal candidate will be self-motivated, self-directing and proactive with a good work ethic and flexible to meet the needs of the business as required (audit preparation). Problem solving, attention to detail and flexibility are essential skills alongside the ability to communicate and work as part of a team.

A competitive remuneration and benefit package is available.

How to Apply

You can apply by Application or CV and send it through to personnel@mulrines.ie. Alternatively, you can also send your application or CV via Jobs.ie, Indeed or NIJobs.

The closing date for applications is 26th February 2023

If applying by Application Form, you can download a copy from our Jobs.ie site or [click here](#) to complete online. Alternatively, you can email us at personnel@mulrines.ie.