



Vertical Farming Technician II – Horticulture - Guelph, Ontario

Are you a self-directed individual looking to take your horticulture experience to new horizons? If so, we would love to hear from you!

At GoodLeaf Farms we are focused on producing local and ultra-fresh greens, without pesticides. We do this in an innovative way using efficient vertical farming. We have an R&D farm in Bible Hill, NS and Canada's first and only commercial scale vertical farm in Guelph, ON and are rapidly growing to other regions across Canada.

GoodLeaf Farms has a strategic partnership with and investment from McCain Foods Limited, the world's largest manufacturer of frozen potato products and a global leader in appetizers and snacks. This partnership enables the successful candidate to experience rapid innovation, entrepreneurship and be part of a new revolution in controlled environment agriculture, a new technology to grow fresh and nutritious leafy greens of the highest quality and flavour, in an environmentally sustainable way, 365 days per year!

We are recruiting for a Vertical Farming Technician II- Horticulture for our Horticulture Team who will be a key support in the day to day functions of the department. This role will ensure our automated systems are maintained as required by the Head Grower. The VFT II – Horticulture will provide guidance and assistance to operating staff to ensure GoodLeaf farms continues to offer a top-quality product to our customers.

Reporting to the Head Grower, the **Vertical Farming Technician II – Horticulture** will be responsible for the following:

Daily Functions:

- Routinely inspect the quality of harvested product
- Take photos of each crop as it is removed from the grow room and upload to a data storage system
- Record all deviations in crop quality as they occur
- Record all observations of crop quality
- Assist with collecting and validating yield data
- Maintain Horticulture systems within the mechanical room which include but are not limited to (filter replacement, filter advancement, sensor cleaning, fault correction)
- Observe and monitor the seeding line to ensure seeding density, substrate placement and nutrients are being delivered accurately

Weekly Functions:

- Complete testing on plant nutrients
- Keep the horticulture lab neat and tidy
- Collect samples and complete documentation as instructed by the Head Grower
- Clean and maintain liquid storage tanks and associated systems
- Other Functions
- Aid the Procurement Specialist in counting substrate, seeds, and other horticulture supplies
- Provide research assistance to the Head Grower as needed
- Assist with the writing of SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) as they relate to Horticulture
- Assist with training new team members on horticulture functions
- General farm assistance in the areas of harvest and seeding when required



Qualifications and Education Requirements & Preferred Skills

- Technical Diploma in Plant Science or Horticulture (Bachelor's Degree of Science is preferred)
- Previous experience in a manufacturing environment or agricultural practice considered an asset
- Must be able to work **12-hour rotational shifts (7am-7pm)** including weekends
- Prioritizes the Health & Safety of oneself and others
- Works well independently and as part of a team
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Positive work attitude
- Ability to multi-task in a fast-paced work environment

We pride ourselves in having a great team, who understands the importance of locally produced food and growing a great product.

Want to join us? Candidates are asked to submit their resumes by email to the attention of **Amelia Robertson, HR Administrator**, arobertson@goodleaffarms.com