

Yanmar Compact Equipment North America designs, manufactures and supports a complete range of compact equipment including compact track loaders, mini excavators, wheel loaders and construction equipment for use in such markets as construction, landscaping, utility, land management and agriculture. The products are sold primarily through a third party, independent dealer network. Yanmar Compact Equipment North America has an immediate opening for a Plant Director. This position will be based in Grand Rapids, MN.

Overview:

As Plant Director you will be responsible for directing, coordinating, and managing the overall plant operation. Overseeing the plants production objectives, equipment purchases, manufacturing footprint, maintenance. The plant director will monitor and evaluate workflow and assembly methods and lead process improvements. In addition will be a member of the global OPEX team along with other Plant Directors worldwide.

Responsibilities:

- Responsible for working collaboratively with peers in Supply Chain, Engineering and Quality to effectively plan, coordinate and direct all production functions to achieve service levels, plan vs. actual and profit, growth, and investment return goals.
- Lead the workforce planning, and resource optimization including machine utilization.
- Develops input to and annual strategic mid-term plans for manufacturing operations, including annual operating plans and quarterly and monthly performance KPIs in addition to monitoring performance and accounting for production adjustments and working toward business goals.
- Develops, manages to, and reports on functional areas of responsibility via performance metrics, functional KPIs and Continuous Improvements activities within all areas of manufacturing site.
- Develops cost hopper and execution methods in alignment with annual cost targets and improvement plans.
- Lead the definition of standard work with Engineering and Quality teams to define process capabilities, improvements and understanding.
- Create a culture of positive ownership of workmanship and work completions complementing workforce development and leadership principles. Create a positive working culture, facilitating empowerment and development of people in a work environment consistent with long-term employee satisfaction.
- Provide strong leadership to direct reports. Establish personal development plans; Implement key succession plans and employee development activities to ensure the team strength continues to grow.
- Participate in the process of capital equipment and facilities planning.
- Collaborate with other stakeholders to enhance productivity and staff satisfaction.
- Responsible for the successful training, mentoring, and guiding of team members in new processes.

Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering, management, manufacturing, or equivalent required. Masters Preferred.
- 8-10 Years of successful progressive management experience and responsibility encompassing all facets of operations, manufacturing, and production management
- Lean Six Sigma Black or Green Belt a plus

Knowledge/Skills:

- Ability to work with diverse international teams
- Proven experience working in plant operations required
- Deep background in strategic sourcing / supply chain and logistics
- Good understanding of regulatory requirements for operating plants
- Strong aptitude for root cause analysis and troubleshooting operational issues
- Familiar with operating plant equipment safely and efficiently
- Excellent verbal and written communications
- Strong leadership and managerial attributes.
- Exceptional organizational and time management skills

This job description reflects management's assignment of essential functions; it does not prescribe or restrict the tasks that may be assigned. This job description also does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirements of job change.