

Application for Employment

Illinois

Equal access to programs, services and employment is available to all persons. Those applicants requiring a reasonable accommodation to the application and/or interview process should notify a representative of the Human Resources Department. We are an equal opportunity employer.

Please Print

Position applied for _____ Application Date ____/____/____

Name _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Address _____
STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

Home Phone (____) _____ Cellular/Other # (____) _____ E-mail address _____

Shift preferred 1 2 3 Any Expected pay _____

Would you accept full-time work? Yes No Would you accept part-time work? Yes No

On what date would you be available for work? _____

If necessary, best time to call you is _____ : _____^{AM}/_{PM} Home Cellular/Other

How were you referred to our Company? _____

Have you submitted an application here before? Yes No If yes, please give date(s) and position(s): _____

Have you ever been employed here? Yes No If yes, please give dates: _____

Is this application a request for reemployment following an extended military leave of absence from our Company? Yes No
If yes, additional information may be requested.

If you are under 18 years old, can you provide a work permit if required? Yes No

Are you legally eligible for employment in the United States? (If yes, proof is required if hired.) Yes No

Are you able to perform the "essential functions" of the job for which you are applying (with or without reasonable accommodation)?

NOTE: This question is not designed to elicit information about an applicant's disability. Please do not provide information about the existence of a disability, particular accommodation, or whether accommodation is necessary. These issues may be addressed at a later stage, to the extent permitted by law.

Yes No Need more information about the job's "essential functions" to respond

Will you travel if required? Yes No Will you work overtime if required? Yes No

If they have been explained to you, are you able to meet the attendance requirements of the position? Yes No N/A

Have you ever been bonded? Yes No

Please provide your driver's license number, if driving is required for this job. _____ State _____

Have you entered into an agreement with any former employer or other party (such as a noncompetition agreement) that might, in any way, restrict your ability to work for our Company? Yes No If yes, please explain: _____

NOTE: Answering "yes" to the following question does not constitute an automatic bar to employment. Factors such as date of the offense, seriousness and nature of the violation, rehabilitation and position applied for will be taken into account. You are not obligated to disclose sealed or expunged records of conviction or arrest or expunged juvenile records of conviction or arrest. Have you ever pleaded "guilty" or "no contest" to, or been convicted of, a felony? Yes No

If yes, please provide date(s) and details: _____

Employment Experience

Place an **X** by the employer(s) you **DO NOT** want us to contact. List your most recent employer first.

Employer _____
Contact Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Phone () _____
Job Title _____ Supervisor _____
Dates employed: from (mm/yy) ____/____ to (mm/yy) ____/____ Hourly rate/salary: starting ____/____ final ____/____
Work performed _____
Reason for leaving _____
What did you like most about your position? _____
What were the things you liked least about the position? _____

Employer _____
Contact Name _____ E-mail _____
Address _____ Phone () _____
Job Title _____ Supervisor _____
Dates employed: from (mm/yy) ____/____ to (mm/yy) ____/____ Hourly rate/salary: starting ____/____ final ____/____
Work performed _____
Reason for leaving _____
What did you like most about your position? _____
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Reason for leaving _____
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Employment Experience (continued)

Explain any gaps in your employment, other than those due to personal illness, injury or disability.

Have you ever been fired or asked to resign from a job? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Education Background

High School: _____ Location _____

Course of study _____ Did you graduate? Yes No Degree or diploma _____

College: _____ Location _____

Course of study _____ Did you graduate? Yes No Degree or diploma _____

Graduate School: _____ Location _____

Course of study _____ Did you graduate? Yes No Degree or diploma _____

Vocational Training/Other: _____ Location _____

Course of study _____ Did you graduate? Yes No Degree or diploma _____

Continuing Education: _____

Special Training or Skills

Languages, machine operation, etc., that would be of benefit in the job for which you are applying.

Social Security Number

SS# _____ - _____ - _____ The Company will make reasonable efforts to safeguard the privacy of this information and will use it only for employment purposes.

References

List names and telephone numbers of three business/work references who are **not** related to you and are **not** previous supervisors. If not applicable, list three school or personal references who are **not** related to you.

Name	Title	Relationship to You	Telephone	E-Mail	Years Known

Applicant Statement

I certify that all the information submitted by me on this application is true and complete, and I understand that if any false or misleading information, omissions or misrepresentations are discovered, my application may be rejected, and if I am employed, my employment may be terminated at any time.

If hired, I agree to conform to the Company's rules and regulations, and I understand that these rules and/or the employee handbook do not form a contract of employment either express or implied, and I agree that my employment and compensation can be terminated, with or without cause and with or without notice, at any time, at either my or the Company's option.

I also understand and agree that the terms and conditions of my employment may be changed, with or without cause and with or without notice, at any time by the Company. I understand that no Company representative, other than its president, and then only when in writing and signed by the president, has any authority to enter into any agreement for employment for any specific period of time, or to make any agreement contrary to the foregoing.

I expressly authorize, without reservation, the employer, its representatives, employees or agents to contact and obtain information from all references (personal and professional), employers, public agencies, licensing authorities and educational institutions and to otherwise verify the accuracy of all information provided by me in this application, résumé or job interview. I hereby waive any and all rights and claims I may have regarding the employer, its agents, employees or representatives for seeking, gathering and using truthful and nondefamatory information, in a lawful manner, in the employment process and all other persons, corporations or organizations for furnishing such information about me.

I understand that this application remains current for only 30 days. At the conclusion of that time, if I have not heard from the employer and still wish to be considered for employment, it will be necessary for me to reapply and fill out a new application.

I also understand that, if I am hired, I will be required to provide proof of identity and legal authorization to work in the United States as required by federal immigration laws.

This Company does not tolerate unlawful discrimination or harassment based on sex, race, color, religion, national origin, citizenship, age, disability, or any other protected status under applicable federal, state or local law. No question on this application is used to limit or exclude an applicant from employment consideration on any basis prohibited by applicable federal, state or local law.

Applicant's signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Fast Facts

Purpose of the Job Application

Job applications go beyond the resume to help you gather insightful information that will screen candidates before the interview stage. Our Job Application guides your applicants to go into detail about education and employment history, computer skills, contacts and more, so you can make an informed decision.

Reviewing the Application

Once it's complete, use the application as a "prescreening" tool, helping you to decide whether an interview is necessary. If so, use it to help you prepare for the interview. Don't underestimate the value of the information contained in the application; it often can tell you more about the candidate than he or she is likely to reveal in a resume or interview. Look out for these "red flags" as you review:

- Make sure the applicant signs and dates the application — a missing signature may imply that the person has something to hide.
- Scrutinize previous employment, particularly the reasons given for leaving previous employers and the time spent at previous jobs.
- Look for unexplained gaps in employment.
- Neatness counts; excessive cross-outs and changes indicate the applicant is disorganized or is making up responses.
- Pay attention to questions left unanswered; for example, an applicant with a criminal history may skip the question about criminal convictions instead of revealing them.
- If applicants do not give enough details about past employers, such as contact information, it could be a sign of trouble.
- Note stability by seeing how long the applicant has been in the area, and look for references the applicant has known for some time.

Interview Preparations

- Review the job description before you meet the applicant. You should know as much as possible about the requirements of the job and the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to perform the job.
- Review the application and/or resume. Prepare questions for any areas you wish to explore, such as missing information.
- Be ready with job-related questions you will ask each candidate. Get specific with your questioning and probe deeper into the candidate's initial responses. Ask open-ended questions that cannot be answered with a mere yes or no.

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Interview Do's & Don'ts

DO take notes, but NOT on the application. The application is an official employment record subject to recordkeeping requirements. Anything jotted on it could be used against you in a dispute.

Don't do all the talking and miss the opportunity for candidates to tell you more about themselves.

DO be prepared to honestly answer questions about your company's market strengths, goals, ranking of the position, opportunities for advancement and other relevant areas.

Don't make promises, implied or otherwise, you do not intend to or cannot deliver.

DO avoid "candidate confusion" by taking a few minutes after each interview to mark down specific comments and general impressions to help you remember each candidate's strengths and weaknesses.

Don't ask unlawful or improper questions about marital status, national origin, mental or physical disability, religion, age, arrest record or citizenship.

DO explain the notification process so the applicant understands your general timeline for following up and the method of contact.

Interview Observations

- Does the applicant listen and respond directly to your questions?
- Does the applicant relax and build rapport with you?
- Does the applicant probe for clarification or more information about the job?
- Does the applicant handle nonverbal communication, such as eye contact, body posture and tone of voice, well?
- Does the applicant turn potentially negative information into positive information?
- How do you feel after the interview? Are you enthusiastic, tired or impressed?

Additional Screening Tools

- **Pre-employment tests** can give you a more objective view of your candidate. Skills, integrity and personality tests allow you to look for the right job-related qualities. Subject all applicants for the same position to the same types of tests.
- **Background checks** will help you choose the best person for the job. Be sure to comply with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) by notifying and obtaining authorization from applicants before requesting certain types of reports.
- **Reference checks** can help you test the honesty of the applicant. Due to increasing employee lawsuits, many companies will confirm only information about title, wages and dates of employment. You may ask your applicants to sign a waiver authorizing previous employers to release requested information to your company and relieve your company of liability for using the information.