



Aircraft Painter

Van's Aircraft is the worldwide leader in the production of kit aircraft. We are searching for an experienced painter, who will be responsible for preparing and painting production aircraft built in our Aircraft Assembly Division. The successful candidate will have experience in painting aircraft or other vehicles and a history of consistent high-quality results. The person in this role will also prep new aircraft for paint, including surface preparation, masking and other necessary steps.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Properly prepare all aircraft components and surfaces, both metal and composite, for primer or final paint using single and two-stage systems
- Prime and paint aircraft and aircraft parts for customer delivery
- Spray high-build primer on fiberglass surfaces in preparation for painting
- Sand or scuff aircraft surfaces in preparation for priming
- Prep aircraft surfaces for prime and paint (wipe, blow, tack)
- Mask aircraft surfaces using tape, paper, and plastic
- Locate, apply, and paint decals as specified by drawings
- Locate and apply vinyl decals to aircraft surfaces
- Perform paint touchups as required to ensure highest quality product
- Clean pots and guns after each application
- Read and understand reference sheets that specify paint schemes and colors
- Monitor paint levels and order paint for each aircraft paint job
- Organize and maintain commercial paint booth, related equipment, and consumables
- Plan painting work center schedule and collaborate with management to ensure deadlines are met

OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Log work performed
- Keep work environment clean and organized

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Experience painting aircraft or other vehicles
- Knowledge of paint systems and materials
- Ability to deliver high-quality, consistent work
- High school diploma, GED or equivalent work experience
- Ability to read and comprehend instructions, correspondence, and memos
- Great communication skills
- Focus, attention to detail, and accuracy
- Problem-solving skills
- Basic math skills, to include calculations and measures of materials for painting

Pay rate: Commensurate with experience

To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter to jobs@vansaircraft.com. No calls, please. Selected candidates will be required to pass a pre-employment drug screening.