

PR/110961 | Team Leader - NPD Quality

Job Information

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1623978

Industry
Other (Manufacturing)

Job Type
Permanent Full-time

Location
India

Salary
Negotiable, based on experience

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General Requirements

Minimum Experience Level
Over 10 years

Career Level
Mid Career

Minimum English Level
Business Level

Minimum Japanese Level
None

Minimum Education Level
Associate Degree/Diploma

Visa Status
No permission to work in Japan required

Job Description

Responsibilities: -

- Expertise in new part development (NPD) as per IATF 16949:2016 standards.
- Develop and maintain quality plans for new products, ensuring thorough documentation such as Process Flow Diagrams (PFD), Process Failure Mode Effect Analysis (PFMEA), Control Plans and inspection standards.
- Possess a deep understanding of automotive manufacturing processes, including welding, stamping, and other processes relevant to the production of automotive parts.
- Conduct APQP weekly review at each stage of NPD process.
- Coordinate between different departments (such as design, marketing, production, and quality control) to ensure smooth product development.
- Provide regular updates and reports to senior management and other stakeholders.
- Evaluate and qualify new suppliers in collaboration with the procurement team.

- Conduct supplier audits and assessments to ensure suppliers meet required quality standards.
- Work with suppliers to resolve quality issues and improve performance.
- Work proactively with suppliers and internal teams to identify and resolve quality issues during NPD projects.
- Drive continuous improvement in NPD processes by leveraging data-driven insights and promoting the use of quality tools across the organization.
- Oversee testing and validation activities for new products, ensuring that all product specifications and quality standards are met.
- Analyze test data and work with cross-functional teams (e.g., Process Engineering, Manufacturing, Maintenance) to address any issues that arise during testing.
- Lead the preparation of PPAP (Production Part Approval Process) documentation, ensuring that all required components, processes, and quality checks are documented.
- Ensure PPAP submission is timely and meets all requirements for customer approval.
- Knowledge about CAR-V Approval process of SMG.

Additional Responsibilities

- Lead Cross-Functional Team (CFT) activities and ensure timely closure of NPD project deliverables.
- Coordinate and follow up with Process Engineering (PE), Production, Maintenance, Tooling, Purchase, and Supply Chain teams to achieve project milestones.
- Drive regular CFT review meetings and monitor the status of open concerns, risks, and action plans.
- Ensure timely availability of tooling, gauges, fixtures, equipment, documents, and resources required for project execution.
- Follow up with concerned departments for implementation and validation of process improvements, Poka-Yoke, and quality controls before SOP.
- Monitor project timelines and escalate delays or risks to management with a clear recovery plan.
- Ensure effective communication between customer, supplier, and internal CFT members throughout the NPD lifecycle.
- Track readiness of manufacturing lines, inspection facilities, testing equipment, and manpower before trial and mass production.
- Review and monitor action plan closure from trial activities, audits, customer observations, and internal reviews.

KEY COMPETENCIES NEEDED

- Expertise in APQP, PPAP, PFMEA, Control Plan, MSA, SPC, and Customer-Specific Requirements (CSR).
- Strong understanding of automotive manufacturing processes (e.g., welding, stamping, assembly, and testing).
- Knowledge of all types of measuring instruments.
- Knowledge of jig/fixture and all types of gauges.
- Expert in presentation skills.
- Strong leadership and Cross-Functional Team (CFT) management skills.
- Excellent coordination and follow-up capability with PE, Production, Maintenance, Tooling, Purchase, Logistics, and Supplier teams.
- Strong knowledge of IATF 16949:2016, Core Tools, and Automotive Quality Systems.
- Project planning, milestone tracking, and risk management skills.
- Ability to lead NPD projects from concept stage to SOP and mass production.
- Knowledge of manufacturing processes including Welding, Stamping, Assembly, Tube Forming, and Leak Testing.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, SAP, and Quality Management Systems (QMS).
- Ability to monitor project KPIs and present project status to senior management.

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