

Northgate Logistics

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BIAS REVIEW REPORT

Warehouse Operations Supervisor — Night Shift

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Findings: 7 | High: 2 | Medium: 4 | Low: 1

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Executive summary

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AT A GLANCE

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KEY THEMES

- Accessibility framing (1)
- Credential requirement without cause (1)
- Exclusionary culture cue (1)
- Experience inflation (1)

TOP RECOMMENDED CHANGES

- Experience inflation: replace "10+ years' experience essential in warehouse or logistics operations" with "Significant experience of warehouse or logistics operations, including WMS and stock-control systems (typically 3+ ye..."
- Gender coded language: replace "a rockstar operations supervisor" with "a skilled, dependable operations supervisor"
- Credential requirement without cause: replace "Bachelor's degree required — logistics, business or similar" with "Relevant experience or qualifications welcomed: show us you can run a busy operation"

Overall assessment

The document is clear and operationally grounded, but several phrases may unnecessarily narrow the candidate pool. The recommended changes preserve the genuine warehouse, safety and leadership requirements while making the role more accessible to qualified candidates from varied backgrounds. Nothing in this review lowers the bar for the role.

Detailed findings

1. Gender-coded language - HIGH

"rockstar"

This describes a persona rather than a capability. Candidates who do not identify with the archetype may self-screen out, while the actual performance expectation is left unstated.

BEFORE

~~a rockstar operations supervisor~~

AFTER

a skilled, dependable operations supervisor

2. Experience inflation - HIGH

"10+ years' experience essential"

A fixed ten-year threshold deters career changers, returners and capable candidates with non-linear careers. The rewrite asks for evidence of comparable operational capability.

BEFORE

~~10+ years' experience essential in warehouse or logistics operations~~

AFTER

Significant experience of warehouse or logistics operations, including WMS and stock-control systems (typically 3+ years)

3. Credential requirement without cause - MEDIUM

"Bachelor's degree required"

The role's tools and processes are learned in operation; the degree is a proxy for capability. The revised wording asks for the evidence directly.

BEFORE

~~Bachelor's degree required — logistics, business or similar~~

AFTER

Relevant experience or qualifications welcomed: show us you can run a busy operation

4. Insider idiom - MEDIUM

"hit the ground running"

This signals that no onboarding or support should be expected. It deters candidates from outside the industry and anyone who plans their ramp-up deliberately.

BEFORE

~~able to hit the ground running from day one~~

AFTER

structured onboarding, with clear priorities from week one

5. Exclusionary culture cue - MEDIUM

"work hard, play hard"

This reads as a social expectation beyond the job itself. It can deter carers, parents, candidates who do not drink, and anyone who values sustainable working.

BEFORE

~~a work hard, play hard team~~

AFTER

a collaborative, supportive team culture

6. Pace-pressure idiom - MEDIUM

"fast-paced environment"

This common culture cue rarely describes anything measurable. The rewrite names the operational reality directly.

BEFORE

~~a fast-paced environment~~

AFTER

a high-volume operation with clear nightly dispatch targets

7. Accessibility framing - LOW

"ability to lift up to 25 kg"

The physical requirement appears genuine and is retained. The revised wording states the operational need while making the route to reasonable adjustments visible.

BEFORE

~~requires the ability to lift up to 25 kg~~

AFTER

involves moving stock of up to 25 kg safely, with equipment and reasonable adjustments provided where appropriate

What this review deliberately preserved

Debiasing never means preferential treatment for any group, and it never removes a requirement the role genuinely needs. Genuine skills, qualifications, working patterns and safety requirements are kept - and where a real requirement read as a barrier, it was restated accessibly rather than removed.

KEPT IN THIS REVIEW

- Proven ability to lead shift teams of 20 or more - a genuine requirement for running the night shift
- Working knowledge of WMS and stock-control systems - core tooling for stock accuracy in this role
- Health and safety compliance ownership across the site - a safety-critical accountability that must stay explicit
- The genuine physical demands of the role - kept, restated accessibly rather than removed
- Night-shift working pattern and site-based requirement - inherent to the role; stated plainly up front
- Accountability for throughput, accuracy and cost reporting - the performance standard the role is hired against