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Dispatcher

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Central control and process operators in petroleum, gas and chemical processing monitor and operate petroleum, petrochemical and chemical plants and monitor, adjust and maintain processing units and equipment in these plants. They are employed by petroleum and natural gas processing, pipeline and petrochemical companies and industrial, agricultural and specialty chemical and pharmaceutical companies.

Responsibilities

Job duties

Here are some of the main activities and tasks that Central control and process operators, petroleum, gas and chemical processing have to perform, and some of the physical demands they involve:

- Operate electronic or computerized control panel from a central control room to monitor and optimize physical and chemical processes for several processing units
- Control process start-up, shut-down and troubleshooting
- Monitor outside process equipment
- Adjust equipment, valves, pumps and controls and process equipment
- Authorize or co-sign maintenance work orders
- Shut down, isolate and prepare process units or production equipment for maintenance
- Sample products, perform tests, record data, carry out statistical process control on process operations, and write production logs
- Develop operating procedures for normal operation, start-up or shut-down of unit
- Participate in safety audits and programs and provide emergency response when required
- Ensure adherence to safety and environmental regulations
- May rotate between different processing units during shift cycles
- May work in a team with shared supervisory responsibilities and participate in training other workers
- May be cross-trained in a skilled trade and work in the trade during shift cycles.

Workplaces and employers

Here are the typical workplaces where Central control and process operators, petroleum, gas and chemical processing are employed and some of their main characteristics:

- Pipeline and petrochemical companies

Hiring organization

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Employment Type

Full-time

Beginning of employment

ASAP

Duration of employment

Permanent

Industry

petroleum

Job Location

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Working Hours

9 AM TO 5 PM

Base Salary

\$ 37.39/hr - \$ 43.56/hr

Date posted

May 1, 2025

Valid through

31.05.2025

- Petroleum and natural gas processing companies
- Pharmaceutical companies
- Industrial, agricultural and specialty chemical companies

Qualifications

Employment requirements

This is what you typically need for the job.

- Completion of secondary school is required. Mathematics, chemistry and physics subjects are often specified.
- A college diploma in process operation, sciences or a related subject may be required for some positions.
- Petroleum and chemical process operators and process technicians require completion of several years of formal company training.
- Experience as a petroleum or chemical process operator in all the operating units controlled by the central control room is required for chief operators.
- Company certification as a petroleum process operator or technician may be required.
- A provincial power engineer licence, compressor operator or refrigeration certificate may be required when certain kinds of equipment are included in the process.
- Certification in the transportation of dangerous goods (TDG), first aid, firefighting, or workplace hazardous materials information system (WHMIS) may be required.