

Job Title: Junior Buyer

Department/Location: Purchasing / Exeter

Status: Permanent / Full Time

**Reporting to:** Manager, Parts Purchasing EME

## Job Purpose:

Proactively manage all purchasing activity for the extensive and diverse product portfolio of this high SKU international wholesale distribution business. As a Junior Buyer you will be responsible for the management of 20+ vendors across the UK and Europe. The role will involve management of vendor relationships and working closely with the team of global Commodity Managers to deliver value for the business.

## **Key Responsibilities/Tasks:**

- Responsible for the delivery of Purchasing cost reductions through effective sourcing and negotiation with suppliers.
- Work with individual commodity managers on global sourcing strategy. Identify and communicate supplier diversity opportunities for a given commodity.
- Develop supplier relationships in existing and new territories.
- Continuous search for new suppliers according to different commodity strategies.
- Day to day support to internal stakeholders (Sales, Customer Service, Supply Chain, Quality, Product and Marketing) by providing a high quality and efficient service.
- Manage, develop and improve the end to end Purchasing function to obtain maximum value (cost, quality and service) from your supplier base.
- Analyse vendor performance failures, identify causal factors and implement appropriate corrective actions.
- Engage and assist with ongoing parts re-sourcing and group co-sourcing programmes and initiatives.
- Continually assess and review the supply base capability to deliver price, quality and service excellence to the business and evaluate opportunities and risks.
- Regularly report to line management on work status, initiatives and ongoing projects.
- Any other reasonable duties as directed by your Manager or Group Purchasing Manager.

## **Mandatory Duties:**

- Positively commit to and undertake any agreed training program
- Ensure use of Company equipment (e.g. vehicles) effectively and efficiently and within regulation
- Work with due regard to the health and safety of both yourself and others
- Commitment to equal opportunities

This job description is a guide to the minimum requirements of the job. It is not intended to restrict activities, which will contribute to the growth and profitability of Sparex Ltd. If there becomes a need to amend or add items please consult line manager or the Human Resource.

I agree that this is an accurate description of my job at Sparex. I understand that I am employed to carry out the specific duties listed in this job description.

Signatures		
Name of Employee:		
Employee's Signature	Date	



## **Person Specification:**

	Description	Essential (E) or Desirable (D)	How Identified*
Experience	Experience in a similar purchasing role	E	A/I
	Experience with a high volume manufacturing or trading company	D	A/I
Skills & Abilities	Excellent communication skills	E	A/I
	Good negotiation skills	D	A/I
	Good numeracy and IT skills	E	A/I
	Expertise in MS office applications	E	I
	Excellent Excel skills (v-look up level)	E	I
	Ability to plan and prioritise effectively	E	I
	European language: French or German	D	A/I
Qualifications	Educated to degree level	D	А
	MCIPS or working towards	D	А
Personal Qualities	Flexible	Е	A/I
	Resilient	E	A/I
	Attentive to detail	E	A/I
	Decisive	E	A/I
	Team player	E	A/I

A = Application Form I = Interview \*Key: