

What is a Welder?

Welders utilise welding and oxy/acetylene resources to produce high quality welds in a variety of materials in a workshop setting.

Roles of a Welder

Within Sydney South West Area Health Service the roles are:

- Repair broken or damaged equipment.
- Fabricate parts or required equipment.
- Design and fabricate.
- Use tools in a safe effective manner.

Career Opportunities

Within SWSLHD there is a four tier grading system. The grade as well as pay increases as more qualifications and experience is obtained. Career development opportunities could lead to an Engineers position. Leading Hand and Supervisor opportunities are available. SWSLHD encourages involvement in further education through in-house courses and study leave for external courses.

Qualifications Required

- School Certificate (Year 10), preferably with passes in maths, science and metalwork.
- Welders Certificate

These are formal qualifications obtained through TAFE courses and experience.

Supervision provided

A comprehensive orientation program is provided for all new staff members with ongoing support. This is generally provided by the leading hand or supervisor. A Qualified Welder usually requires minimum supervision.

What sort of person should I be?

- Self-motivated
- Pride in workmanship

Personal skills required of a Welder

- Good interpersonal skills
- Able to make decisions and problem solve
- Able to work as an integral