



## **Fresh Produce Inspector**

Do you have a passion for Fresh Produce? Do you thrive in a hands-on environment where you can develop your skills and grow with your company? Do your attention to detail skills set you apart from the rest?

If you answered “yes” to any of the above, then Gambles may be the right fit for you!

### **Who are we?**

At Gambles, produce is everything. Our business provides of the widest assortment of top quality fruits and vegetables for the wholesale, foodservice and retail sectors. With a history dating back to the early 1900's, Gambles has grown and evolved in to one of the largest produce wholesalers in all of Ontario. Our goal is to not only be the supplier of choice for all of our customer's needs, but an employer of choice for “top talent” candidates and employees.

*Integrity, Respect and Teamwork* are the values we strive to demonstrate in our culture at Gambles. It is these values that drive every aspect of our business, especially with our people. Our people are the backbone of our business, which is why we are continuously looking to develop our people and bring super-stars onto our team!

### **Job Description:**

Reporting to the Food Safety and Quality Assurance Manager, the Fresh Produce Inspector's role is to complete produce inspections and provide inspection details to the sales team. Since produce is highly perishable, you will be working in a fast-paced environment. Your ability to quickly and correctly verify the quality and condition of incoming produce and compare to CFIA/USDA standards will help assure the quality and freshness of our products.

This role functions primarily out of our Distribution Centre, located at 302 Dwight Avenue, Toronto, Ontario. However, you may also be required to work out of the Ontario Food Terminal 165 Queensway, Toronto on occasion. This role requires flexibility to work early mornings and weekends.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

- Inspect all varieties of vegetables and fruits according to CFIA, USDA and Gambles' standards
- Complete product inspections on inbound, current inventory, and returns
- Transcribes inspection information on to Quality Control Inspection Reports/Emails
- Coordinate onsite CFIA inspection services as required



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- Work closely with produce buyers to determine disposition items that fail to meet inspection criteria
  - Pursue continued understanding of new product specifications, CFIA, USDA and customer guide lines
  - Ensure compliance of food safety policies in warehouse, take corrective action when required
  - Assist with banana ripening program

Competencies:

- Excellent written & verbal communication skills
- Self-starter with strong interpersonal and teamwork skills required
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail

Qualifications, Education, and General Requirements:

- Must have 2+ years direct produce knowledge
- Minimum High school diploma or GED equivalent, however a College Graduate Degree (BA or BS) is preferred
- Knowledge of CFIA, USDA and PACA standards preferred
- Knowledge of proper use of produce inspection equipment (penetrometer, refractometer) preferred
- Working knowledge of Microsoft Office suite of programs
- Working knowledge of ERP systems and tablets an asset
- Flexibility to work early mornings and weekend shifts
- Experience in an HACCP environment an asset
- Ability to lift 50 lbs. and work in a cold environment

Physical Requirements/Environment:

- Ability to regularly lift 55 lbs.
- Ability to stand continuously for long periods of time (up to 8 hrs)
- Ability to reach above shoulder level
- Able to come in contact with food allergens
- Must be able to work within a cold environment for extended periods of time
- Must wear CSA approved Safety Shoes at all times

Interested parties should apply to [jobs@goproduce.com](mailto:jobs@goproduce.com)

*Please note that Gambles Ontario Produce Inc., is an equal opportunity employer located in a heritage building with our main office at 165 The Queensway, Suite 240. During the recruitment process, if you require any accommodation please email [accessibility@goproduce.com](mailto:accessibility@goproduce.com) in order to notify us of your required arrangements.*