

Volunteer Mechanic/Fitter

Minimum 3 Month Commitment



Role Description

The Mechanic / Fitter is responsible to carry out machinery maintenance and repairs, including mechanical overhaul and repair work on marine engines, pumps, hydraulic, pneumatic equipment and valves, and repairing plumbing system equipment. A job that will take you all over the ship, responding to issues and daily bringing solutions to a diverse range of mechanical issues.

Education and Experience

The requirements listed below are representative of the education and/or experience required:

- Successful completion of Onboarding program(s)
- Relevant apprenticeship and work experience working on ships
- Previous experience in mechanical servicing/fitting of plant or machinery throughout the ship
- High School Diploma required

Qualifications

The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required:

- Supportive of Mercy Ships mission and vision, and committed to its core values
- Understand and apply servant leadership, work collaboratively with integrity and demonstrate accountability
- Able to live in and contribute to community life, requiring stable and healthy interpersonal skills
- Relevant qualifications and skills in trade, heavy engineering sector
- Has successfully completed Basic Safety Training in accordance with STCW A-VI/1-1 to 1-4
- Ability to effectively understand and communicate in clear English

Impact

Over 2.8 million lives have been transformed by our work since 1978, an average of 66,000 services offered per year.

- We have completed more than 1,110 community development projects including the reconstruction of schools, clinics, orphanages, water wells and agriculture programmes. Providing local training and infrastructure to enable and sustain their future success.
- We have trained more than 6,600 local professionals (including surgeons) who have in turn trained many others, over 252,000 local people, in basic healthcare.
- The *Global Mercy* and the *Africa Mercy* are the two largest charity hospital ships in the world, and together hold 11 state-of-the-art operating theatres and 279 patient beds.
- We have provided care in over 55 of the world's developing nations.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily:

- Mechanical overhaul and repair work on marine engines and related equipment
- Repair and maintain pumps, hydraulic, pneumatic equipment and valves
- Operate hand tools associated with marine engines
- Service and fit various machinery components
- Repair machinery, engines and related equipment
- Troubleshoot and repair plumbing system equipment
- Follow the Company Safety Management System as it relates to this position, in particular, Equipment Tag Out
- Other duties as assigned

Our work

Mariama's story

Mariama is a lively and healthy baby, but a severe facial cleft strained her joyful smile. This facial cleft affected 7-month-old Mariama's lip and nose, making it difficult for her to eat and causing her parents to worry about their child's future.

Since paediatric services capable of treating baby Mariama's condition were not available near the family, local doctors directed her father to Senegal's capital city in hopes of finding help.

It was there that he heard about a hospital ship capable of providing healing for his little girl.

Soon after, Mariama received an operation onboard the *Africa Mercy* that repaired her cleft lip. After surgery, Mariama and her family stayed at the HOPE Centre, where her mother learned how to make nutritional baby formula and learned about the importance of nutrition for her child. Now, Mariama is home with her family, happy and healthy!

