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We are looking for a detail-oriented and proactive Purchasing Officer to oversee our company's procurement activities. The Purchasing Officer will be responsible for evaluating suppliers, negotiating contracts, reviewing product quality, and ensuring the timely delivery of products. A successful candidate will have a keen eye for detail and a commercial mindset.

Purchasing Officer Job Profile

A Purchasing Officer is essential in managing and controlling the procurement of products and services for the company. They play a key role in ensuring that the company obtains quality goods at competitive prices, interacts effectively with suppliers, and meets delivery timelines.

Reports To

The Purchasing Officer will typically report to the Purchasing Manager or Head of the Procurement Department.

Purchasing Officer Responsibilities

- Conducting research on potential products, vendors, and services, and comparing price and quality to ensure the best deal.
- Meeting with vendors and clients to negotiate the best contracts.
- Managing inventories and maintaining accurate purchase and pricing records.
- Maintaining and updating supplier information such as qualifications, delivery times, product ranges, etc.
- Ensuring that all procured items meet the required quality standards and specifications.
- Preparing purchase orders and liaising with the finance department to ensure timely payments.
- Developing plans for purchasing equipment, services, and supplies.
- Following and enforcing the company's procurement policies and procedures.
- Reviewing, comparing, analyzing, and approving products and services to be purchased.

Purchasing Officer Requirements & Skills

- Proven experience as a Purchasing Officer, Purchasing Agent, or similar role.
- Good knowledge of vendor sourcing practices (researching, evaluating, and liaising with vendors).
- Understanding of supply chain procedures.
- Solid analytical skills, with the ability to create financial reports and conduct cost analyses.
- Negotiation skills and the ability to network and influence people.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Strong attention to detail.