



Hoist Operator

Education:

G.E.D. SIIT, GDI, Saskatchewan Polytechnic

High School:

Practical and Applied Arts, Math Foundations

CAREER PROFILE >>

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Name: Ry Lerat

Home Community: Cowessess First Nation, SK

Education: Grade 12, Cowessess Community Education Centre

Employer: The Mosaic Company

Details of Job: Transporting employees and all material from both surface and underground 3,165 feet below surface to the potash level, sometimes working at extreme heights in a safety harness, also the visual inspection, troubleshooting and repair of many operating systems in the mine shaft. Other duties include, minor steel work and mechanical repairs, and when called for, transportation and use of explosives underground. Also, acquiring and maintaining a Government Operator Permit to run the world's largest hoist of its kind. Most importantly, taking pride in continuing to provide a safe portal for everyone coming and going from the underground world and surface.

A Typical Day: The day starts with the safe transportation of the dayshift employees to underground and the night shift to the surface for shift change. Next is a quick morning meeting with my supervisor and crew to discuss the maintenance plan and any transportation of material for the shift and coordinating with different departments and contractors during maintenance.

About the Job: "I really like my job because the routine changes daily and at times, challenges my abilities to successfully complete the tasks that can occur. I also have the privilege of working with some of the best groups of people I've had the honor of working with. In the 15 years I have been working with Mosaic I am still always learning. Never be afraid of the unknown!"

My Educational Path: Grade 12 Diploma or G.E.D. Equivalency. Complete an aptitude and physical test. Perform physical tasks daily as well as being able to maintain the company supplied safety training qualifications. Establish a work record committed to safety in the industrial profession while completing your tasks. Other opportunities at Mosaic include pursuing Journey Person Trades and working at many different departments while being employed.

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