

# **Hiring Employees Checklist**

Use our hiring checklist to onboard new employees based on SOP-123: Hiring Employees. Following these steps in the order provided will provide the highest likelihood of filling a role quickly with a skilled candidate.

Please do not skip any steps.

## **Start Hiring Process**

#### Research the current market

struggling to fill positions)

Before you start looking for employees, you need to establish what the job market is like in your area.

<ul> <li>Research keywords people search to find your jobs.</li> </ul>	
☐ Save top 10 keywords that are not mentioning specific companies.	
Research pay levels on Indeed.com.	
☐ Take note of the top 25% of hourly and salary ranges.	
Create a job description	
In this section, you'll focus on writing a job description. The description should	
include:	
☐ Title (Use top keyword)	
☐ Pay (Use top 25% of pay to attract best candidates)	
Description of Company Work Environment	
☐ Skill Sets	
☐ Description of Responsibilities	
Experience and Educational Requirements (Reduce requirements if	

### **Share the Job Description**

□ Benefits literature

Share the job description in the following locations:
Employee email list
☐ Job title email list
All social media channels (edit your list to your specific channels)
☐ Share the posting on job boards. You don't have to do paid promotion at
first, but it might help if you need an employee fast.
Contact a staffing agency. Discuss your needs and budget with them.
Run paid ads if necessary
Onboarding
This process will start once the new hire signs the job offer. The process takes at
east one week to complete. So the start date should be at least one week after the
date the new hire signs the job offer.
Confirm the accepted job offer (HR or automated system).
Confirm start date (Automated system or HR).
Send a welcome email to the new employee (Automated System or HR).
Prepare new hire paperwork
These documents should be compiled when implementing an HR system and
updated as needed. The business owner or HR professional should review them
pefore sending them to the new hire. The new hire is responsible for filling them
out and returning the documents.
<ul> <li>Job description</li> </ul>
☐ Tax forms (i.e., W-4 or W-9)

<ul> <li>Employee handbook</li> <li>Non-disclosure, non-compete or other legal documents</li> <li>Employment contract</li> </ul>
Procurement
These steps can either be automated or managed by the appropriate person.  Typically the small business owner or a manager. In larger companies, these roles may involve IT and Procurement. We have included who would handle them in larger companies.
<ul> <li>Computer including accessories (Procurement)</li> <li>Phone (Procurement)</li> <li>Access to shared devices (printer, copier, fax machine, etc.) (IT)</li> <li>Mobile phone, tablet, or other additional job-specific devices (Procurement)</li> </ul>
Employee Software Access
The following checklist items will normally be performed by your software system administrator or an automated system. The security clearance will be submitted to the proper legal authorities by the business owner, HR professional, or the new hire.
<ul> <li>Email</li> <li>Time clock system</li> <li>Access to CRM</li> <li>WiFi access</li> <li>Voicemail (New hire should set up)</li> </ul>

Add the emp	loyee to relevant email distribution lists
Other jo	management software b-specific software security clearance (if applicable)
Set up wor	kspace
The items on the new hire.	this list can be done by the business owner, admin, or supervisor of
<ul><li>Provide</li><li>Provide</li></ul>	a workplace (unless remote) necessary furniture necessary office supplies welcome kit
First Day	
The Supervisi	ng manager should be responsible for the following tasks.
<ul><li>Provide</li><li>Give the</li><li>Introduct</li><li>Connect</li><li>Provide</li></ul>	an access card, or badge (If applicable) e employee a tour. ce the new employee to the team. It the new hire to the team in a group email. lunch for the team (Local teams only). a training plan.

### Orientation

☐ Schedule a 90-day check-in.

Most small businesses will have a small business owner or trusted team member perform these tasks. In larger businesses, you might want to have a skilled trainer provide orientation. This can be especially important if you are in a skilled field.

Complete any new hire paperwork that has not already been completed.
☐ Discuss safety policies and show how to follow them.
Review the employee handbook and answer questions about it.
Explain the technology policies and who to ask for support.
☐ Discuss benefits.
Review insurance plans.
☐ Provide a peer mentor.
Schedule Routine Check-ins
The supervising manager or HR may want to perform regular check-ins to verify
that the employment is going smoothly. If there are performance issues,
addressing them early can save the company a lot of money. Firing a person after
the state's probationary period will often mean your company has to pay
unemployment.
Ask for feedback on the hiring process.
<ul><li>Schedule a check-in for the end of the new hire's first week.</li></ul>
Schedule a second check-in after 30 days.
Schedule a third check-in after 60 days.
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