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SUMMARY

Packaging technician with three years supporting high volume prepared food and consumer goods lines. Hands on work includes **cup packout** equipment, conveyors, sealers, fillers, labelers, checkweighers, sensors, startup checks, format changeovers, **preventive maintenance**, troubleshooting, and downtime response. Uses machine observations, operating data, measurements, technical diagrams, and equipment manuals to define problems, identify **product variation**, and make safe operating adjustments. Communicates clearly with Maintenance and production leads during breakdowns, planned maintenance, and restart decisions. Coaches newer operators on primary adjustments and escalation cues. Certificate training in **Industrial Maintenance Technology** and current OSHA and food manufacturing safety credentials support disciplined work in first shift production environments. Brings practical judgment, steady communication, and a continuous learning mindset to reliable processing and efficient line performance.

EXPERIENCE

Packaging Technician II

June 2025 - Present

Ocean State Prepared Foods

Providence, RI

Supports cup packout operations across daily prepared food production, owning equipment checks, adjustments, minor repairs, preventive maintenance, breakdown response, and operator coaching. Works closely with Maintenance and production leads to protect **line continuity**, clarify equipment conditions, and support safe restarts.

- Maintained **cup packout** equipment through startup checks, adjustments, minor repairs, and condition monitoring.
- Diagnosed conveyor, sealing, indexing, sensor, and product feed issues using machine observations and operating data.
- Completed **preventive maintenance** during planned windows, recording wear conditions and recurring faults for follow up.
- Adjusted packaging machinery for **product variation** and changeovers using **technical diagrams** and setup standards.
- Coordinated breakdown response with Maintenance and production leads, sharing symptoms, corrections, and restart status.
- Coached newer operators on **primary adjustments**, troubleshooting cues, and escalation practices during production.

Packaging Technician

October 2023 - May 2025

Bayview Consumer Products

Warwick, RI

Operated and maintained automated packaging equipment for refrigerated consumer products, with responsibility for line monitoring, cleaning, lubrication, format changeovers, troubleshooting, documentation, and shift communication. Applied equipment manuals, diagrams, measurements, and observed behavior to separate operator adjustments from maintenance repair needs.

- Operated automated **packaging equipment** while responding to jams, misfeeds, sensor faults, and line variation.
- Performed cleaning, inspection, lubrication, and adjustment tasks according to maintenance schedules and production needs.
- Used manuals, diagrams, measurements, and machine behavior to **define problems** and identify repair needs.
- Supported format **changeovers** by setting guides, sensors, **conveyors**, and packaging components before production.
- Recorded downtime events and equipment observations, giving leads useful history for recurring problems.
- Communicated machine status and production constraints in English during shift handoffs and maintenance discussions.

PROJECTS

Cup Packout Reliability Review 📅 2026

Small adjustments often protect an entire production run. Reviewed recurring packout conditions, organized machine observations, and outlined practical checks for sensors, sealing, indexing, and product feed stability.

Changeover Setup Reference 📅 2025

A clear setup reference can turn uncertainty into steady work. Compiled diagram based adjustment points for guides, conveyors, sensors, and packaging components used during format changes.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Recognized by production peers for dependable breakdown communication and clear restart updates.
- Trusted by newer operators for practical coaching on primary machine adjustments and escalation cues.
- Selected for added responsibility supporting cup packout equipment and recurring production conditions.

EDUCATION

Certificate in Industrial Maintenance Technology

2023

New England Technical Institute GPA: 3.5

Providence, Rhode Island

Coursework: Preventive maintenance, industrial equipment, electrical fundamentals, technical diagrams

CERTIFICATIONS

- OSHA 10 Hour General Industry 📅 2024
- Food Manufacturing Equipment Safety Certificate 📅 2025

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Packout Equipment:** Cup packout, conveyors, indexing equipment
- **Sealing Systems:** Sealers, sealing controls, seal inspection
- **Filling Systems:** Fillers, product feed, fill adjustments
- **Inspection Equipment:** Checkweighers, sensors, product variation
- **Maintenance Methods:** Preventive maintenance, lubrication, inspection
- **Troubleshooting Tools:** Equipment manuals, measurements, operating data
- **Technical Documentation:** Technical diagrams, setup standards, shift records
- **Production Operations:** Startup checks, changeovers, line monitoring
- **Safety Credentials:** OSHA 10 Hour, food equipment safety, safe adjustments
- **Communication Practices:** Maintenance communication, shift handoffs, spoken English

SKILLS

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| • Packaging Equipment | • Downtime Reduction | • Sealers | • Data Collection |
| • Cup Packout | • Line Adjustments | • Fillers | • Problem Solving |
| • Preventive Maintenance | • Changeovers | • Sensors | • Operator Training |
| • Equipment Troubleshooting | • Conveyors | • Technical Diagrams | |

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Prepared food manufacturing operations, with focus on reliable packout and safe production support.
- Industrial maintenance learning community, applying technical diagrams, equipment checks, and practical troubleshooting.

LANGUAGES

- English (Native)
- Spanish (Intermediate)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST