

Onboarding Checklist for Administrators & Receptionists

PRE-ARRIVAL

- Call new employee to inform them of their start date
 - Answer any questions they might have
 - Provide information on first-day expectations (dress code, what to bring etc.)
- Prepare onboarding pack (employee handbook, gifts, contact list of key people)
 - Post onboarding pack to employee
- Schedule key meetings for first week
- Create a training schedule for induction/probation period
- Create key milestones for the year
- Prepare new employee's workspace
 - Order/set-up work computer/laptop/phone
 - Set up voicemail
 - Send access request to IT for shared drives/folders
 - Request new employee to be added to internal email groups
 - Order office supplies
- Order security swipe card or keys
- Make team aware of new employee's arrival
- Set-up welcome lunch with team
- Assign a welcome "buddy"

FIRST DAY

- Welcome your new employee at reception
- Introduce them to your team
- Provide a tour of the workplace (work/department areas, restrooms, printers, conference rooms, water coolers, kitchen areas, break rooms, cafeterias and vending machines)
- Lunch with the team (or in the week if this isn't possible)
- Explain the team's role and where the employee fits in (have a copy of employee's job description)
 - Describe organisation's goals, objectives and function
 - Explain the chain of command (who the employee reports to and who their manager reports to)
- Review telephone processes and policy
 - Team and department contact numbers
 - Dialling instructions for commonly called local/regional/international numbers
 - Instructions for conference call or webinars
 - Personal use policy
- Review IT procedures and policy
 - Network and remote email access
 - Intranet
 - IT support and logging support tickets
 - IT security and personal use policy
 - Social media policy
- Explain health and safety and emergency procedures
 - Show fire exits and emergency evacuation points
 - Introduce new employee to first-aiders and fire wardens

FIRST WEEK

- Provide three month plan
 - Set first month priorities
 - Identify training requirements
 - Set three month milestones (goals, objectives etc.)
 - Book review meetings
- Go over industry and companywide acronyms
- Reaffirm job duties and expectations to employee and indicate point-of-contact if they need help
- Review HR and Admin policies
 - Work schedule
 - Break and lunch periods
 - Overtime policy, if applicable
 - Processes for requesting leave
 - Provide contact for HR

THREE MONTHS & BEYOND

- Provide feedback to employee at designated times
 - Solicit feedback from employee to ensure expectations are being met
 - Solicit feedback from team on employee's performance and working relationships
- Encourage your employee to participate in team meetings and events
- Continue looking for opportunities to further integrate your employee into the business