



# MATTHEW

## Machine Operator

### **WHAT DO YOU DO AT WALSHS GLASS?**

I am considered a Machine Operator and spend much of my time on the TPA line, which produces double glazed units of glass. I also have spent time on all other LiSEC machinery which includes the cutting table, furnace and single line edgers.

### **WHAT MADE YOU JOIN THE GLASS INDUSTRY?**

My Dad worked here for 20 years and once I finished school, he was able to secure me a role at Walshs.

### **WHAT'S THE BEST THING ABOUT YOUR JOB?**

I like that I have goals set for me and I can smash them each day.

### **WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR CAREER JOURNEY AT WALSHS**

I've spent two separate periods of time at Walshs including approximately a four-year traineeship several years ago and then most recently for two years learning new skills to become a Machine Operator on the TPA line.

### **WHAT TRAINING OR SKILLS DID YOU NEED TO GET YOU HERE?**

I spent about four years completing my traineeship which is no longer available but is very similar to an apprenticeship. I spent a few years at a different glass company learning new glass processing skills and have continued learning how to operate the TPA line by buddying up with the TPA Coordinator.

### **WHAT DO YOU ENJOY ABOUT THE GLASS INDUSTRY?**

I enjoy being able to work hard and see that my effort impacts on reaching our goals. I also enjoy the opportunity to solve problems throughout each day.