

## Experienced Quality Assurance Tester

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**Location:** Halifax

**Manager:** Producer

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### Job Description

We're currently looking for an experienced Quality Assurance Tester for our Halifax studio. The selected candidate will be in charge of testing the features of our pre-released games and applications, reporting the bugs and problems, and verify that the fixes produced by the designers, programmers, and artists correct the problems.

The ideal candidate can self-manage, is proactive and also detail-oriented, as the position requires being extremely patient and meticulous to frequently retest small sections of the game thoroughly, looking for possible bugs.

Excellent communication skills (both verbal and written) are essential to accurately describe the bugs and excellent deductive skill can be needed to determine the steps to reproduce them. The ideal applicant is also ready to learn new procedures, software and is a fast learner.

Previous work experience in a QA role in software development is a requirement for this position.

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### Main responsibilities

- Play through the incomplete versions of game;
  - Create test plans to ensure adequate coverage is given to each section of the game, and then follow the test plan methodically;
  - Report discovered bugs and manage the bug database;
  - Verify that the application meets the technical requirements of the platform holders (Nintendo, Microsoft and Sony);
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### Essential Qualifications

- Previous work experience in a QA position within software development.
  - High School diploma or equivalent.
  - Excellent communication skills.
  - Good knowledge of, and strong interest in, computers and video games.
  - Team player and a strong work ethic.
  - Professional, self-starter, serious and detail-oriented.
  - PC literate, with experience of common Microsoft Office applications (esp. Word and Excel).
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### Desirable Qualifications

- Previous QA experience within the videogames industry.
  - Bachelor's degree.
  - Understanding of the software test cycle process.
  - Knowledge of PC Hardware and compatibility issues (graphics cards, CPUs).
  - Experience of database creation.
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### Benefits and work conditions

- Competitive basic wage rate
  - Collective benefit plan including full family coverage for medical, dental and optometric care
  - Relocation packages offered to candidates from outside the city or country. (Help in obtaining the visa, etc.)
  - Flexible vacation and statutory holidays
  - One week paid vacation between Christmas and New Year's
  - The position is 40 hours a week - Monday through Friday, on site. Additional hours may be required at peak times, based on the project's requirements.
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### Working in Halifax

The city of Halifax is the largest city on Canada's east coast and with direct flights to most major cities in North America and Europe is the hub of travel for the Atlantic. As one of Canada's oldest cities, Halifax balances old world architecture with modern living making for a convenient downtown that maintains incredible character and beauty. With all the amenities of a big city, a friendly laid back culture and a low cost of living, Halifax is a great place for people of all ages to call home.

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- Cover letter
- Current CV / Resume
- Please reference the job title **QA TESTER - HALIFAX** in the subject line of your email.