



Types of employment roles and responsibilities within the industry

There are four main areas within the industry that you should know the roles and responsibilities within. They are listed below:



Front of house

- Front of house manager: oversees all staff at the restaurant, provides training, hiring of staff, and ensures good customer service.
- Head waiter: oversees the waiting staff of the restaurant in high-end eating establishments.
- Waiting staff: greets customers, shows them their table, takes food and drink orders from customers, and serves them their order. Makes sure customers' needs are met, and that the food order is made correctly.
- Concierge: advises and helps customers with trips and tourist attractions. Books taxis for customers and parks customer cars.
- Receptionist: takes bookings, deals with questions and complaints from customers, checks-in customers, takes payment, and provides room keys.
- Maître d'hôte: oversees the service of food and drinks to customers. They greet customers, check bookings, reservations, and supervise waiting staff.

Kitchen brigade

- Executive chef: in charge of the whole kitchen, developing menus and overlooking the rest of the staff.
- Sous-Chef: the deputy in the kitchen and is in charge when the executive chef isn't available.
- Chef de partie: in charge of a specific area in the kitchen.
- Commis chef: learning different skills in all areas of the kitchen. Helps every chef in the kitchen.
- Pastry chef: prepares all desserts, pastry dishes and bakes.
- Kitchen assistant: helps with the peeling, chopping, washing, cutting of ingredients, and helps washing dishes and stored correctly.
- Apprentice: an individual in training in the kitchen and helps a chef prepare and cook dishes.
- Kitchen porter/ plongeur: washes the dishes and other cleaning duties.

Housekeeping

- Chambermaid: cleans guests' rooms when they leave, and restocks products that have been used, they also provide new bedding and towels.
- Cleaner: cleans hallways and the public areas of the establishment.
- Maintenance: repairs and maintains the establishment's machines and equipment, such as heating and air conditioning. These responsibilities could also include painting, flooring repair or electrical repair.
- Caretaker: carries out the day to day maintenance of the establishment.



Management

- Food and beverage: responsible for the provision of food and drink in the establishment which will include breakfast, lunch, dinner, and conferences.
- Housekeeping: ensuring laundering of bed linen & towels, ordering of cleaning products and overseeing housekeeping staff duties.
- Marketing: promotes events and offers to increase custom at the establishment, and is responsible for the revenue of the business.

