

Overview

Join Lifestyle Lumber as a **Drafting Lead / Residential Designer**, where your drafting expertise and construction knowledge will directly impact how projects are quoted, sold, and built across Central Minnesota. This is a high-ownership role that supports our sales team and customers by producing accurate, professional plans and material takeoffs that drive a premium customer experience.

Lifestyle Lumber is a fast-growing lumber and building materials supplier and builder serving contractors and homeowners across multiple locations throughout Central MN, with headquarters in St. Martin. We are investing heavily in modernizing our systems—including drafting, estimating, and design—to deliver accurate quoting, better visuals, and build-ready plans.

This position is ideal for someone who enjoys a fast-paced environment, takes pride in precision, and wants to help build a scalable drafting department.

Duties

- Produce code-compliant blueprints and construction drawings based on job leads provided by the sales team.
- Design and draft projects including (but not limited to) **pole sheds, single-family homes, garages, agricultural buildings, decks, additions, remodels, and common lumberyard building packages.**
- Develop 2D and 3D models and customer visuals to support quoting and job approval.
- Create accurate BOMs and material takeoffs to support estimating, ordering, and project execution.
- Collaborate daily with sales reps to manage multiple active projects, revisions, and shifting priorities.
- Maintain consistent drafting standards, templates, and organized file management.
- Coordinate with engineers, architects, and truss designers when required to finalize build-ready plans.
- Stay current on building codes, construction methods, and building materials used in residential and agricultural construction.

- Provide drafting revisions and updates during project changes or construction-related adjustments.
- Communicate professionally with contractors and customers as needed to clarify scope, design intent, and revisions.

Experience

- Proven experience in residential drafting, construction design, or a related field.
- Proficiency in drafting/design software such as **SoftPlan, Chief Architect, AutoCAD, DataCAD, Revit, SketchUp**, or similar CAD/BIM tools.
- Strong understanding of framing, construction materials, and residential building methods.
- Experience creating BOMs, takeoffs, or estimating support documentation is strongly preferred.
- Familiarity with building codes and plan requirements for residential and agricultural projects.
- Ability to multi-task, shift between projects quickly, and perform under deadlines in a high-volume environment.
- Strong attention to detail and ability to produce accurate, buildable plans with minimal errors.
- Strong communication skills and ability to work directly with sales teams and customers.
- Drafting certificate or Associate degree preferred, but equivalent experience is acceptable.

Join Lifestyle Lumber and help build the drafting and design function that supports the next phase of our growth. Your skills will directly improve customer experience, quoting accuracy, and project execution across our expanding organization.