



ROPE ACCESS TECHNICIANS

JOB DESCRIPTION

IRATA Rope Access Technicians (All levels) – Geotechnical Projects

Location: Multiple NSW & QLD Sites | Type: Casual

Rutledge Drilling is currently seeking skilled IRATA Level 1, 2, and 3 Rope Access Technicians to support our expanding portfolio of geotechnical projects across northern NSW and southeast QLD. This is a hands-on field role suited to experienced rope techs with a background or interest in slope stabilisation and high-risk terrain.

We're a tight-knit crew of specialists, and we're looking for people who value professionalism, teamwork, and working safely in some of Australia's most remote and technical landscapes.

Key Responsibilities:

- Perform rope-based access for drilling, meshing, rockfall mitigation, and slope stabilisation
- Support drill rig setup, grouting, shotcrete, and anchoring operations
- Participate in daily pre-starts, toolbox talks, and adhere to all site safety procedures
- Assist with equipment checks, safety inspections, and basic rig maintenance
- Follow detailed work instructions, including QA documentation, hazard IDs, and SWMS compliance
- Support emergency response and rope rescue procedures as trained
- Work effectively in a team under the supervision of Leading Hands or Supervisors
- Uphold site safety and environmental controls in line with Rutledge Drilling standards

Technical Experience:

- Experience in rope access work on geotechnical or civil projects
- Familiarity with slope stabilisation systems (meshing, barriers, anchors, shotcrete)
- Exposure to drilling (A-frame, Top Hammer, or DTH) highly regarded
- Understanding of geotechnical QA procedures including cube testing, grouting records, and anchor logs
- Basic mechanical aptitude for daily rig and equipment checks

Minimum Requirements:

- IRATA Level 1, 2 or 3 (current)
- White Card
- Working at Heights (within 2 years)
- Current First Aid & CPR
- Open Manual Driver's Licence
- Ability to pass a pre-employment medical and drug/alcohol test

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience working under MRTS or RMS specifications
- IRATA Rope Access
- Excavator and EWP tickets
- Strong communication and problem-solving ability
- Comfortable working in remote locations and outdoor environments

Why Join Us?

- Be part of a specialist team working on some of QLD and NSW's most exciting terrain
- Consistent work and long-term project opportunities
- Ongoing training and upskilling supported
- Competitive rates and site allowances + travel, meals, and accommodation covered on remote sites
- Career progression pathways into Leading Hand, Supervisor, or Project roles

View job descriptions and apply online: www.rutledge drilling.au/careers



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