

Using Key Words in Boolean Searches

Boolean search is a type of search allowing users to combine keywords with operators (or modifiers) such as AND, NOT and OR to further produce more relevant results.

In TalentNeuron Key Word Searches there are six “operators” to understand.

They are:

AND **OR** **NOT** **TITLE** “ ” Quotes () Parantheses

Using these operators along with keywords will allow you to create a large and very specific range of searches. There is no limit to how often you use these operators.

AND

Any terms that follow **AND** must appear in your result. For example:

fabricator **AND** “*tig welder*” will give results that include both the word fabricator and the phrase “tig welder.” All search results will include both.

OR

OR provides options into a search. Using **OR** allows you to make a list of options for which at least only one match is important. *tig* **OR** *mig* **OR** *welder* **OR** *fabricator* would give you results that contain one or more of those terms.

NOT

NOT is a command that allows you to exclude terms. This command can be valuable when closely related terms that mean very different things need attention. For example:

welder **NOT** “*spot welder*” will give you results that only contain the word welder, but will exclude any results that use the phrase “spot welder.”

TITLE

TITLE allows you to restrict your boolean search criteria to the job post title. For example:

TITLE: (“spot welder”) would produce results where spot welder is in the job post title.

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“ ” Quotes

Quotation marks capture a phrase that should be kept intact and in the order stated. Not using quotation marks around a phrase will allow the terms to be treated separately and lead to different results. For example:

tig welder would give you results that contain “tig” and “welder,” but not necessarily in the same sentence or paragraph.

“tig welder” would give you results that only contain the phrase “tig welder.”

() Parenthesis

A more advanced operator used to create longer queries. It requires that words be processed in a specific order. For example:

(journeyman OR journeymen) AND welder

Need assistance creating Boolean Searches in the Key Word Filter?

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