

Electrical Needs Covered

Award winning industrial electrician, Dalton Electrical Ltd has just opened a new office in Auckland's North Shore to provide better support for its customer base on that side of the city.

Operations Manager Daniel Berry says the new office will also provide a locally based team with a shorter commute to and from work, as well as providing a faster response time for its customers, complementing the company's existing premises in Penrose.

"Our core customer base is industrial, production lines and manufacturing. Our focus is on providing support for the machinery and the 24/7 production lines that we look after. While we do not do a lot of new commercial work, most factories do have offices that we support."

Primarily operating throughout the Auckland region Dalton Electrical provides automation support the depth and breadth of New Zealand through remote connectivity.

"We also have a few clients who are OEM (original Equipment Manufacturer) machine builders and we've travelled to Mexico, Thailand, China and the United States installing New Zealand built machines."

Working with English machine manufacturer PLF International over many years, Dalton Electrical has carried out a number of installations of their machinery in New Zealand and was engaged to install the production line that went into Yashili New Zealand's state of the art dairy processing plant.

"We completed the electrical installation of a turn-key infant formula canning line built by PLF International who

manufacture a range of powder filling and packaging equipment. We installed the machines, helped commission them and then took over the integration from an automation perspective, so that the various components all operate as one cohesive production line."

That project won Dalton Electrical the Master Electricians Excellence Award for industrial automation.

Established in 1966, Dalton Electrical has a team of 82 staff across the two offices providing a broad range of services that includes:

- General contracting and project management
- 24/7 callout service for machinery breakdowns.
- New factory installation, relocations and factory automation.
- Thermographic inspection and scheduled servicing, compliance testing and emergency lighting.
- Rail signaling
- Component level electronic repair of obsolete circuitry boards

"We're probably Auckland's largest industrial focused electrical contracting company," explains Daniel. "Being specialised allows us to concentrate our training needs quite well around technical breakdowns. We won the Gold award from 'Investors In People' in 2016, this recognises the investment we put into our people in terms of training, development, and team culture."

That award is complemented with winning the Industrial Apprentice of the Year seven of the last 10 years.

"We try to create the right environment that keeps people happy. We're constantly looking at training and developing people to retain them and the skills that they have built up while working for us. A while ago we had a large group of staff come together to define what our culture was really like with a set of values. A lot of people had input into that with some good discussions and we came up with Professionalism, Respect, Loyalty, Teamwork and Integrity."

- Richard Loader

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