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Appliance Repair Job Guide

Stand up a simple job-finding automation, tailor your resume in minutes, and run a tight outreach + interview plan to land an appliance repair role fast — while building proof of hands-on skill.

📌 **Updated for 2026** 📄 **30 days** to spin up a working job pipeline (example)

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▸ MODULE 01

What you'll build

A practical, automation-assisted plan to find appliance repair roles, customize your resume and cover letters, and manage outreach and interviews. You'll also build proof-of-skill artifacts and a repeatable pipeline you can reuse for new openings.

Use low-code/no-code automation (or Python) to source jobs, store them in Google Sheets, auto-draft application materials, and trigger professional follow-ups — without spamming or violating job board terms.

1. Target the right appliance repair role and market
2. Build proof-of-skill writeups and a crisp resume
3. Automate job sourcing → tailoring → tracking
4. Send targeted outreach to decision makers
5. Prepare strong interview stories and follow-ups

▸ MODULE 02

Platforms & tools

Lead & Outreach

2 free · 6 paid

LinkedIn · Loom · Upwork · Apollo · Cal.com · Smartlead · Fiverr · Instantly

Website Builders

0 free · 2 paid

Lovable · GoHighLevel

AI Models

0 free · 5 paid

ChatGPT · Claude · Gemini · OpenAI · Anthropic

Dev & Hosting `0 free · 2 paid`

GitHub · VS Code ·

Automation `1 free · 3 paid`

n8n · Make.com · Apify · Zapier ·

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Step 1 — 🎯 Choose your role and market fit

Decide where you'll start: residential field tech (in-house), warranty servicer, or independent contractor. Match your choice to your city's demand, your current strengths, and where you want to be in 3 years.

> **Tip**
> Stop asking which path is "better." Ask which work excites you, what evidence you can build in 30 days, and what your local market needs.

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Step 2 — 🧰 Get safety-ready and tool up

Complete basic safety (e.g., OSHA-10). If you'll handle sealed systems/refrigerants, pursue EPA Section 608 certification. Assemble a starter kit: multimeter, clamp meter, insulated screwdrivers, nut drivers, Torx set, pliers, flashlight, gloves, knee pads, and vehicle organizers.

Tip

Many companies train you on their systems after hire. Emphasize learnability, accuracy, and safety mindset — and avoid overspending on fancy gear early to prevent cash-flow strain.

▸ MODULE 05

Step 3 — 🖨️ Build proof of skill the right way

Document real or practice troubleshooting: symptom → tests (V/Ω/A) → diagnosis → part → result. Capture 3–5 concise writeups with photos or readings. This becomes your artifact set for interviews and resume bullets.

Tip

Avoid vague bullets like “completed labs.” Write specifics you can explain: what you tested, what you found, and what changed.

▸ MODULE 06

Step 4 — 📄 Build resume, cover letter, and a 60–90s Loom

Create a clean Google Doc resume. Front-load your best proof-of-skill bullets and relevant keywords from each posting. Record a short Loom introducing your background, safety mindset, and customer-service approach; keep it focused and personable.

Tip

Hiring managers scan in an F-pattern. Put your strongest line at the top and your best bullet first under each role.

▸ MODULE 07

Step 5 — 🧮 Set up a job tracker in Google Sheets

Create a Sheet with: Position Name, Job Type, Company Location, Description, URL, Customized Resume, Date Created, Posted At, Scraped At. You'll map automation outputs here and track every application and follow-up.

> **Tip**
> Manually qualify roles before outreach — some scraped listings are stale, miscategorized, or not a fit.

▸ MODULE 08

Step 6 — 🧭 Wireframe your workflow

Sketch your pipeline in Excalidraw: trigger (new roles) → scrape → parse → tailor resume/cover letter → store in Sheets → email drafts → reminders. This prevents rework and clarifies data flow and AI usage.

> **Tip**
> Building automations without a quick wireframe wastes time. Map triggers, inputs, and outputs first.

▸ MODULE 09

Step 7 — 🧩 Pick a primary platform and initialize

Choose one platform to build your pipeline. Set up the starter project and confirm it runs a trivial test (e.g., write a single row to Sheets) before adding scraping and AI.

Platform	What to do in this step
n8n	Create a new workflow. Add Google Sheets and HTTP nodes for a smoke test. Check credentials in your n8n dashboard.
Make.com	Create a new Scenario with Google Sheets module. Run once to confirm a test row can be added.
Python	Create a project folder and virtual environment. Install google-api-python-client. Write a short script to append a row to Sheets.
Apify	In the console, create a new Actor Task for the job scraper you'll use. Verify a sample run writes to a Dataset.

▸ MODULE 10

Step 8 — 🔎 Connect job sources with Apify safely

Use Apify to collect listings (for research and drafting only). Understand Apify basics — Actor (program), Task (configured run), Dataset (where results land). Set Indeed search parameters for 'Appliance Repair Technician' plus your city, and a sensible max items per run.

Platform	What to do in this step
n8n	Add the Apify node. In Apify, create an API key (Settings → API & Integrations), then paste into n8n. Configure the Indeed actor task with your query and location.
Make.com	Add the Apify module. Paste your Apify API key. Configure the actor run, then add a module to watch for completion and pull the Dataset items.
Python	Call the Apify API via requests to start a task and poll for completion. Fetch the Dataset JSON and parse fields.

Platform	What to do in this step
Apify	Configure the Indeed actor directly in the console with your search inputs. Use Dataset webhooks/exports to send data to Sheets later.

> **Tip**
> Avoid auto-applying on Indeed using scrapers; use scraped data for research and drafting only to prevent ToS or reputational risk.

▸ MODULE 11

Step 9 — 🔐 Authorize Google Sheets and map columns

Connect your job tracker Sheet. In n8n, create Google Sheets credentials: set up a Google Cloud project, enable the Sheets API, configure OAuth consent (app name can be 'job finder'), create OAuth client (Web), add the n8n redirect URI, and paste client ID/secret into n8n. In Make.com, sign in to your Google account via the module connector. Map fields you'll store soon: date/time, position, company, URL, and links to customized docs.

> **Tip**
> Google shows an unverified app warning during OAuth. Click Advanced and proceed if you control the app setup.

▸ MODULE 12

Step 10 — 🧪 Normalize inputs and extract contact fields

Standardize input resume text and job data before AI. Add an information-extractor step to pull First Name, Last Name, and Email from your resume text (mark all as required). Set up a switch to handle resume file types (docx/pdf/txt) and extract text accordingly.

> **Tip**
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> Don’t overload the AI agent; use a separate extractor for names/emails and a structured JSON output for downstream mapping.

▸ MODULE 13

Step 11 — ✍️ Tailor resume + cover letter with AI (predictably)

Add an AI step that compares the posting to your resume and returns strengths, weaknesses, risk/reward, and an overall fit rating. Generate a targeted summary and a short cover letter draft. Save final outputs to Google Docs and store links in Sheets.

PROMPT — RESUME TAILORING (APPLIANCE REPAIR)

```
System: You are a precise resume editor for appliance repair roles. Keep
outputs succinct and factual. Use markdown ATX headings and bullets.
User: Job post: [PASTE JOB POST]
My resume text: [PASTE RESUME]
Return JSON with keys: strengths[], weaknesses[], fit_rating(0–10),
justification, summary_md, cover_letter_md. Do not invent experience; use my
provided bullets. Keep cover letter under 180 words.
```

> **Tip**
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> Do not have the AI write everything. Template most text yourself; let AI fill small, role-specific portions to keep outputs reliable.

▸ MODULE 14

Step 12 — 🔗 Store results cleanly in Google Sheets

Map outputs to your tracker: date/time, position, company, URL, strengths/weaknesses, risk/reward, fit score, justification, and links to the tailored Google Docs. Append a row per role to keep your pipeline auditable.

> **Tip**
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> If converting or downloading Google Drive files by ID, use the correct nested file ID — the wrong one causes hard-to-debug errors.

▸ MODULE 15

Step 13 — 📨 Apply professionally and reach decision makers

Apply through the job board or company portal with your tailored materials. Then reach out to 2–3 people: the recruiter or hiring manager, a technician or lead in the team, and an adjacent leader (e.g., service manager). Be polite, brief, and specific.

DM — ASK FOR AN EXPERT'S PERSPECTIVE

```
I'd be very interested to get your expert opinion on this industry and where
it's going, could you spare some time?
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EMAIL — HIRING MANAGER (GENERAL)

Subject: [Personalized hook for [Name]]

Hi [Name],

I hope you're having a good week. I see you might be leading the hiring process at [Company] and I wanted to personally pass along my resume for the business development position you have open. I'm looking to work under a fast growing company like yours and I would love the opportunity to speak to you and share how my sales background could be an asset to your organization as I'm excited about the possibility of joining the team.

Hope to hear from you soon,

[Your Name]

DM — CULTURE CHECK (GENERAL)

Subject: [Personalized hook for [Name]]

Hey [Name],

I'm glad we got a chance to connect here. I recently switched gears to pursue a sales career currently looking to break into the tech industry. Wanted to reach out as I'm interested in pursuing opportunities for the business development team and I was wondering if you'd be willing to share some thoughts on what it's been like working there and the culture.

Thanks and events,

[Your Name]

EMAIL — ANOTHER ANGLE (GENERAL)

```
Subject: [Personalized hook for [Name]]

Hey [Name],

See that you've been leading the sales team at [Company] since 2019. Wanted to
reach out as I'm interested in pursuing opportunities for the business
development team there. I was wondering if you're involved in the hiring
process at all. I would love the opportunity to speak to you and share how my
background could be an asset to your organization as I'm excited about the
possibility of joining the team.

Thanks in advance,

[Your Name]
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> **Tip**
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> After applying, generic LinkedIn DMs often get buried. Target 2–3 specific people with concise, respectful notes and a clear ask.

▸ MODULE 16

Step 14 — 🧪 Test the pipeline end-to-end

Run your workflow with sample inputs. If an error appears, check recent executions and instruct your AI step (if used) to locate and fix issues. Verify that rows are added and that your Sheet shows strengths, weaknesses, and fit scores with doc links.

▸ MODULE 17

Step 15 — ⏱️ Schedule reminders and long delays cleanly

Stagger follow-ups and interviews. If you need long waits beyond native limits, hold webhook data in Hookdeck and release on schedule to your platform for sending reminders or templated nudges.

> **Tip**
> Hookdeck can delay for days and handle retries; it’s useful when Make.com’s sleep is too short.

▸ MODULE 18

Step 16 — 🗓️ Track interviews and bookings (optional tooling)

If you prefer a CRM-like view, create a ClickUp list with custom fields (stage, assigned user, date). Trigger automations when stage changes (e.g., Interview 1 → send calendar link). Optionally wire a calendar webhook (e.g., Cal.com) to update stages automatically.

> **Tip**
> When using Typeform with Make.com, watch new responses, then list responses to retrieve mapped answers reliably for testing.

▸ MODULE 19

Step 17 — 🔍 Research companies and prep sharp answers

Research: company name, years in business, services, service area, and key people on LinkedIn. In interviews, give concrete stories: difficult customer problems solved, staying calm under pressure, and going above and beyond — with clear actions and outcomes.

> **Tip**
> Read the job description before interviews and prepare a confident “Tell me about yourself” — short, relevant, and evidence-backed.

▸ MODULE 20

Step 18 — 👨‍💼 Handle edge cases the right way

If a hiring manager asks for an application number you don’t have, email the company’s recruiting or careers address politely requesting help. Keep communications concise, professional, and solution-focused.

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Step 19 — 🤝 Keep your pipeline warm and human

Use your network to start conversations. Reach out across platforms (LinkedIn, email) and share your short Loom intro when appropriate. Personalize: reference their work, vehicles, or service area to show you did your homework.

> **Tip**
> When recording Loom while viewing profiles, scroll naturally so it doesn’t look like a static screenshot.

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Step 20 — 🔁 Reflect and improve every 30 days

At day 30, ask: which work made you most curious, which you can explain clearly, and which produced stronger resume evidence? Double down on that path, keep shipping applications weekly, and iterate your artifacts.

> **Tip**
> Most learning happens on the job. Keep building targeted proof instead of chasing random tools or trends.

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Step 21 — 👬 Optional: Prepare to hire helpers later

If you expand into subcontracting, set up a Typeform for applicants (contact info, experience, short Loom). Mirror fields in ClickUp, then use Make.com to email interview invites automatically when a stage changes. Add a calendar webhook to mark booked interviews.

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Mistakes to avoid

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AUTO-APPLY SPAM

Don't auto-apply on Indeed via scrapers; use data for research and drafting only.

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ALL-AI DOCUMENTS

Template most text yourself; let AI fill targeted parts to keep outputs predictable.

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OVERLOADED AGENTS

Split extraction (names/emails) from analysis; use structured JSON outputs.

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IGNORING JD

Not reading the job description leads to weak answers and missed keywords.

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GENERIC LINKEDIN DMS

Messaging recruiters post-application is crowded; target hiring managers/team leads.



BAD FILE IDS

Using the wrong Google Drive file ID breaks conversions/downloads.

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NO WIREFRAME

Skipping a quick process map causes rework and unclear data flow.



OAUTH PANIC

Google’s unverified app warning is normal when you own the project; proceed via Advanced.

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Salary Estimate

$47,310/yr

Median U.S. annual pay for Home Appliance Repairers (BLS, source-reported)

$22.74/hr

Median hourly pay (BLS, source-reported)

$18–$22/hr

Typical entry range depending on region (example, varies)

$25–$35/hr

Experienced in-house tech range (example, varies)

$75–$125

Common trip/diagnostic fee per visit for independents (example, varies)

$80–$150

Typical labor revenue per completed job (excludes parts; example, varies)

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Resources

RESOURCES

- **Indeed — Appliance Repair Technician jobs** — Job board for sourcing roles
- **U.S. BLS — Home Appliance Repairers** — Official wage and employment data
- **EPA Section 608 Certification** — Refrigerant handling requirements and info
- **ESCO Institute — EPA 608 Exam** — Common proctor for 608 certification
- **United Appliance Servicers Association (UASA)** — Trade association, training, and events
- **ASTI Conference (UASA)** — Annual appliance service training conference
- **Whirlpool ServiceMatters** — Manufacturer service resources (registration required)
- **RepairClinic** — Parts, schematics, and troubleshooting guides
- **AppliancePartsPros** — Parts lookup by model

Marcone	Major appliance parts distributor	↗
Reddit r/appliancerepair	Peer Q&A community	↗
ApplianceBlog Forums	Legacy troubleshooting discussions	↗
WebSpaceKit — Workflow Templates	Example automation templates (browse before use)	↗

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What All-Access members get

All 7 JobHacki tools on one membership.

Hack your career.

AI Auto Apply

Swipe real jobs. We get each application ready; you check it and press submit.

Job Directory

Live jobs pulled straight from company hiring systems.

Resume Builder

A role-ready resume in minutes.

Resume Match

A 0-100 match score against live roles.

Interview Role Play

Free practice tests with an account; voice mock interview after the trial.

Playbook Directory

Step-by-step income and job playbooks.

Tool Directory

Tools, prompts, GitHub repos and GPTs, by category.

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Get All-Access — see price and terms

See the community & what's inside

A free account opens the job hubs, playbook library, Tool Directory and Interview Role Play's practice tests.

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