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## **Seasonal Survey Assistant x 2**

**Job Title:** Seasonal Survey Assistant (x 2)  
**Purpose:** To assist with annual monitoring programme  
**Reports to:** Catchment Science Co-ordinator  
**Location:** Clitheroe  
**Hours:** 37.5 hours per week  
**Salary:** National Minimum Wage  
**Contract:** 12 weeks, fixed term contract (June – October, depending on start date)

The Ribble Rivers Trust (RRT) is the lead partner in the Ribble Life Together project, which is a catchment scale project delivering a range of activities to improve the condition, management and awareness of the Ribble Catchment. The project brings together over 20 stakeholder and interest groups to deliver a catchment action plan that will bring immediate and lasting benefits for people and the environment.

Ribble Rivers Trust uses a robust scientific approach to catchment conservation and is guided by local knowledge, the experience of the Ribble Life Partnership Board, as well as the outcomes of monitoring, evaluation and surveys.

As such we are looking to recruit two Seasonal Survey Assistants to aid in the collection of field survey data ranging from ecological surveys of vegetation, invertebrates and fish, to water chemistry and habitat surveys. One post holder will specialise in electro-fishing, although both roles will be expected to carry out the full range of duties as required.

The successful candidate will have experience of environmental surveying, including design, data collection and data entry.

The seasonal survey assistant will be responsible for:

- Collecting field survey data as directed by the Catchment Science Co-ordinator
- Undertake data entry into appropriate databases
- Working alongside volunteers to provide support and training
- Contribute to the production of publicity and marketing media of the project
- Any other duties as required by the RRT.

The role will be based from the RRT offices in Clitheroe but will be expected to work across the catchment.



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## Person Description

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate that they are exceptionally self-motivated and are passionate about the environment and the use of data and evidence in conservation. They must also be a good communicator with experience in teamwork. A good knowledge of the Ribble Catchment and the functioning of river catchments will also be beneficial.

### Essential

- Valid driving licence and own car insured for business use
- Knowledge and experience of a range of catchment processes and how they interact
- Knowledge and experience of ecological monitoring and surveys (preferably aquatic)
- Experience and qualification in data entry and statistical analysis
- Training and/or experience in (preferably ArcGIS)
- Ability to work on the differing tasks identified in the Job Description at the same time
- Excellent presentation skills and communication skills for a wide range of audiences
- Possessing good interpersonal skills, both face-to-face and over the phone
- Reliability, good attendance and work performance
- Ability to set performance objectives and ensure these are achieved
- Excellent organisational / admin skills and attention to detail –
- Good IT skills / maintaining a filing system
- Keeping records of work undertaken
- Keeping records of expenses incurred
- Awareness of the need for confidentiality

### Desirable

- Degree or equivalent experience in environmental management (preferably aquatic sciences)
- Knowledge of the project area