

Joiner/Builder - Antarctica

Contract type: Antarctic Contract

Duration: Antarctic Summer Only (Up to 6 Months)

Salary: £23,937 per annum initially. Additionally, upon completion of a successful tour, you

will receive a 10% bonus on your Antarctic Service.

Benefits: We offer generous benefits

Team: Antarctic employment pool team

Location: Antarctica

Description

The British Antarctic Survey (BAS), part of the Natural Environment Research Council, aims to undertake a world-class programme of scientific research, and to sustain for the UK an active and influential regional presence and a leadership role in Antarctic affairs.

We are looking to appoint a Joiner/Builder to work as part of a small team with the Facilities Engineer to complete the programme of works for the station during the austral summer.

Purpose

Work as part of a small team with the Facilities Engineer to complete the programme of works for the station during the austral summer. Works to consist of small projects, maintenance, repair, upkeep and support of Antarctic station buildings and infrastructure.

Qualification

Served full relevant apprenticeship or training to UK standards and relevant City & Guilds.

Duties

- Maintaining and repairing the structure, fabric, fixtures and fittings of the stations, which includes general building works.
- Carrying out minor works projects under the guidance of the Facilities Engineer or Senior Engineer.
- The reporting of major problems or work requests to the Facilities Engineer who is the Line Manager for this post.
- Maintenance of all tools and equipment required to complete the works.
- Maintenance and revision of materials and tools stock lists to ensure sufficient spares, equipment and materials are available to carry out the planned works for the following year.

- Liaison with the Facilities Manager and Base Management to co-ordinate the work program to meet overall season objectives in a safe manner.
- Record works undertaken and advise items to be added to the maintenance programme.
- To organize and carry out work in a safe, orderly and tradesman like way including compliance with all appropriate risk assessments and method statements.
- Working with and assisting other building and engineering trades to ensure the planned projects are completed.
- Work with other staff to ensure the operational and safety standards of the station are maintained.
- Undertake general base duties in assisting the general running of the station playing an active role in the relief of the base, domestic support, general duties and the like as required by the Facilities Engineer and Station Leader.
- To undertake other duties as requested by the director of BAS.

We welcome applications from all sections of the community. People from ethnic minorities and disabled people are currently under-represented and their applications are particularly welcome. We operate a guaranteed interview scheme for disabled candidates who meet the minimum criteria for the job role.

You will need to be physically capable and medically fit to work in Antarctic conditions.

Skills Specification

Skills are listed as either Essential or Desirable. Desirable skills importance rating in parenthesis (1 is high, 5 is low)

Communication skills - a) oral skills b) written skills

- Fluent in written and spoken English language. Essential
- Report writing experience. Desirable [3]

Computer / IT skills

- Basic skills to use MS Office Programmes and use Email systems. Essential
- Previous use of electronic PPM systems. Desirable [5]

Decision Making

 Ability to work within existing management structure, reference back to line manager with problems. - Essential

Interpersonal skills

Ability to work individually and as part of a team. - Essential

Managerial ability

• Planning & managing own time. - Desirable [4]

Numerical ability

• Good. Able to read drawings. - Essential

Other Factors

- Must be physically capable and medically fit to work in Antarctic conditions. -Essential
- Problem solving & flexibility. Desirable [2]

Resource Management ability

- Ability to use tools & materials. Essential
- Understanding & experience of stock control. Desirable [3]

Skills / Experience

- On-site practical carpentry and general builder skills to UK standards. Essential
- Cabinet making. Desirable [3]
- Qualification to teach others use of machinery. Desirable [4]