

ROLE DESCRIPTION

ASSISTANT COACHBUILDER

Our department: ROLLING STOCK

Why does the IW Steam Railway need my help with this?

Every day a committed team of enthusiastic volunteers give their time and energy to The Isle of Wight Steam Railway. Without their help, our important, beautiful, and fascinating slice of social and engineering history simply wouldn't exist. You'll be making an essential contribution towards to ongoing success of the railway by contributing to long-term carriage and other rolling stock restoration projects, as well as assisting with the wide range of maintenance operations required for safely operating the carriages and wagons in the railway's unique and priceless collection.

What does the Isle of Wight Steam Railway need an Assistant Coachbuilder to do?

- ✓ Work safely complying with the department procedures
- ✓ Assist with the upkeep of serviceable vehicles bodywork and woodwork.
- ✓ Assist carrying out maintenance inspections and servicing of rolling chassis.
- ✓ Assist with restoration projects which include both wood and metal working.

How will I be trained and supported in this role?

- ✓ Isle of Wight Steam Railway General Introduction and Health & Safety Briefing
- ✓ Isle of Wight Steam Railway Working at Height Training
- ✓ Department safety briefing, introduction and tour of the workshops
- ✓ Learning whilst working alongside existing team members
- ✓ One to one briefing on procedures to be followed to comply with relevant health and safety regulation

What can a Carriage workshop assistant expect from the Isle of Wight Steam Railway?

- ✓ A warm welcome to our team, and the enjoyment of contributing to the success of railway
- ✓ Fair and respectful treatment at all times
- ✓ Appreciation for your efforts
- ✓ A comprehensive induction, and ongoing training and support
- ✓ Contributions towards, or supply of, clothing and any PPE necessary for your role
- ✓ References and certification of relevant in-house training to add to your CV
- ✓ A range of benefits, social events, experiences, and prize draws exclusive to our volunteer team

Suggested Minimum Hours

Ideally, we are looking for volunteers able to commit to a regular weekly contribution. Volunteers tend to donate either full- or half-days.

Physical Demands

A lot of tasks will require standing for long periods of time and require some physical strength. Work may involve working outside in all weather conditions, there will be a need to work at height for many tasks and in confined spaces for some. The use of stepladders and scaffolding is commonplace for access and applicants should be confident and physically capable with this equipment.