

ROLE DESCRIPTION

LOCOMOTIVE CLEANER

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 maintaining the presentation standards of our locomotives, whilst upkeeping a safe and tidy working environment.

What does the Isle of Wight Steam Railway need a Locomotive Cleaner to do?

- ✓ Making sure that the locomotives and yard areas are clean, safe and presentable
- ✓ Carrying out specific cleaning tasks on locomotives using approved techniques
- ✓ Shovelling and sweeping of ash in the yard, including emptying of pits
- ✓ Preparing firewood for following days service
- ✓ Footplate duties under instruction

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
- ✓ Instruction on the cleaning techniques to be used
- ✓ Introduction to the names of the main parts of a locomotive
- ✓ One to One instruction on shed Footplate duties

What can a Locomotive Cleaner 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 someone who is able to volunteer for at least one session weekly or fortnightly, and to be reliable in attendance and dependable. Sessions are usually available from early morning (0730) when locomotives are being prepared to mid-afternoon when preparation for the following day is complete.

Physical Demands

This role involves working outside in all weather conditions. It can be hot or cold, and wet. Many of the required duties require some physical strength, which can often be tiring.

Working on locomotives requires working at height as well as in confined spaces, so some agility and the physical ability to do this will be required.