### SCOTTISH WILDLIFE TRUST

Job Title	Reserves Manager (West Central
	Scotland)
Based	The Trusts Area Office in Cumbernauld,
	North Lanarkshire
Department	Conservation
Line Manager	Head of Reserves
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# **Overall Purpose of the Job**

To ensure that Scottish Wildlife Trust's reserves in Stirlingshire, Argyll and around Glasgow are managed and maintained to a high standard for their specified purposes.

#### **Main Duties:**

- Prepare and update reserve management plans, annual reserve work programmes, reserve-based risk assessments, and reserve budgets to agreed Trust standards.
- Oversee the planning, contracting, implementation and quality control of management works on reserves via volunteers, Trust staff and contractors; in accordance with organisation policies and procedures.
- Design and deliver externally funded projects to protect and enhance the reserves.
- Record actions on reserves, using internal recording systems.
- Promote the Trust in matters relating to reserve objectives and related landscape scale initiatives. Including liaison with the Forestry Commission, Scottish Natural Heritage and local authorities.
- Act as the key local contact point for Trust members on area wildlife reserve matters including attendance at reserve management meetings and reserve related member centre meetings and events.
- Line manage staff as required; ensuring they meet agreed targets within their work programme and support volunteers working on wildlife reserves.
- Take the lead in defending the Trust's reserves from development threats.
- Promote reserves through media work, policy development and campaigns.
- Assist and support the Director of Conservation and Head of Reserves on land management issues including acquisitions, disposals and negotiation of management agreements and leases.
- Provide advice and support to other reserve staff, particularly relating to woodland and or wetland management.
- Respond to requests for information and assistance from the public, members and other organisations as appropriate.
- At such times as may be required, undertake related tasks as requested.
- Comply with all relevant Trust policies and procedures

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## **Key Internal & External Contacts**

- Director of Conservation, Head of Reserves
- SWT Reserve Conveners and volunteers
- Partners including governmental agencies and local authorities
- Owners of reserves, tenants, local communities
- Consultants, contractors and utility companies
- Funders
- Regional (and when appropriate National) media

## **Personal Specification**

# Qualifications, Training, Knowledge and Experience

## **Essential Qualifications**

- Degree in Environmental Conservation or similar
- Full UK driving licence

### Desirable

• Member of the Institute of Chartered Foresters

## Experience

- Minimum 3 years' experience of management planning and delivery of practical conservation work across a range of woodland and wetland habitats
- Minimum 3 years' experience of working with contractors undertaking wildlife conservation management and/or forestry operations
- Line managing staff and working with volunteers
- Health & Safety legislation and procedures relating to outdoor working
- Financial management including tendering and budget reconciliation
- Land management agreements, wayleaves and servitudes within the legal system

## **Special Competencies:**

- IT Skills including word processor and spreadsheets
- Natural history knowledge
- Team working
- Independent working, including in remote locations
- Integrity

Closing Date: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April

Interviews will take place at Scottish Wildlife Trust's Leith office on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

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