

VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION



Volunteer Role / Title
Winter Practical Conservation Volunteer – North East
Location
North East Scotland. Reserves across Tayside, Perthshire, Angus, and occasionally Fife and Aberdeenshire
On which days are you needed?
During the working week, Monday to Thursday.
On what date do we want you to start?
Beginning of October
End Date (if applicable)
End of March
Minimum commitment we require from you, if any
There is no minimum commitment, and you should attend whenever you are available. However, if you do volunteer then please set aside a full day.
Objective(s) of your volunteer role
You will assist the North East Reserves Project Officer in delivering practical conservation tasks across a variety of nature reserves. This position will allow you to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Develop a wide variety of practical conservation skills;- Gain experience in nature conservation and habitat management;- Observe and learn about Scotland's wildlife.
Tasks
We will supervise you on a wide variety of valuable outdoor practical management tasks on our varied network of nature reserves, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Infrastructure construction, repairs and maintenance;- Access and footpath improvements: including drainage and resurfacing;- Woodland and scrub management: including coppicing and assisting with felling.

Description of the personal attributes/skills/qualifications required

We are looking for:

- Volunteers who are interested in conservation, have a passion for nature and love working outdoors;
- A desire to work in the environmental sector;
- Enthusiasm and commitment with a flexible approach;
- A good level of fitness. You will be working outdoors in all weathers, carrying out a variety of practical tasks.

Support/training?

All necessary on the job training and support, including health and safety instruction will be provided by the Reserves Project Officer.

Who is the contact person/line manager for enquiries?

Zachery Brown, Reserves Project Officer, North East. zbrown@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk

Can Scottish Wildlife Trust provide expenses e.g. for travel?

We can provide you with expenses for travel (e.g. own vehicle or public transport). For more information, please contact Zachery Brown.

Other (Any age restriction, lifts available? Disabled access?)

All under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a legal guardian.

In winter/cold weather you should bring warm outdoor clothing, waterproofs and suitable working boots.

We will ask potential volunteers to complete a simple application form and will then invite you for a taster day or informal chat with the Reserves Project Officer.

The Reserves Project Officer is based in Dundee and up to 4 volunteers can be provided with a lift to and from the reserve from Dundee if you are without transport of your own.