

## Volunteer Role Description

<b>Role title:</b>
Wildlife Trainee (Conservation) Berkshire
<b>Based at location:</b>
Woolley Firs, Cherry Garden Lane, Maidenhead, SL6 3LJ
<b>Purpose of the role:</b>
To assist the Land Management Team with the management of the nature reserves of Berkshire
<b>Type of activities you will be involved in:</b>
Berkshire Land Management Wildlife Trainees assist the Land Management team to carry out a programme of works across our nature reserves in Berkshire. You will help on a variety of habitats including heathland, woodland, wetland and grassland carrying out practical habitat maintenance/restoration including scrub clearance, tree felling and removal of invasive species. Tasks will also include site infrastructure maintenance such as fencing, gate repairs and sign installation; you will gain experience working with and leading volunteer groups; there will be many opportunities to experience livestock handling; to join in with species and habitat surveys and to assist with preparation and delivery of wider community events.
<b>Experience needed:</b>
<p><b>Essential:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desire to work in UK wildlife conservation</li> <li>• Some previous experience of practical conservation</li> <li>• A good level of physical fitness</li> <li>• Willingness to use power tools</li> <li>• Ability to engage with a range of people</li> <li>• Willingness to supervise and lead others</li> <li>• Willingness to develop skills and high standards of workmanship</li> <li>• Valid driving licence and willingness to drive BBOWT vehicles</li> </ul> <p><b>Desirable:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mechanical aptitude</li> <li>• Relevant education and/or volunteer experience</li> <li>• Some livestock experience</li> </ul>
<b>Times/days we would like you to be available:</b>
A commitment to three days a week for 6 to 12 months is required. Actual days: Tues, Wed & Thurs 8.30am to 4.30pm.
<b>Benefits to volunteer &amp; possible training opportunities:</b>
A substantial amount of training and experience is provided. Trust staff will teach practical nature reserve management skills and provide the theory and rationale behind what you do. A training budget is available which includes externally certified training in First Aid and Chainsaw (C&G NPTC Level 2/CS30 & 31). The programme is intended to

facilitate progression to a paid job in wildlife conservation.
<b>You will be responsible to:</b>
Land Management Officer (Grazing)
<b>Expenses payable:</b>
Travel expenses of 20 pence per mile are available (including bicycle travel) up to £175 per month