



Skye and Lochalsh Rivers Trust Field Assistant

The Skye and Lochalsh Rivers Trust is recruiting a seasonal Field Assistant to assist the Trust Biologist with the 2026 field work season. The job will begin on the 29th April and continue until the 30th September with the possibility of extension for the right candidate.

A full job description can be found below.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your CV and a brief covering letter to admin@slrt.org.uk by Monday, 13th April at 17.00.

Job Description

Hours: Full time (40 hours/week), temporary (5 months) contract for the 2026 season. Includes occasional evening and/or weekend working.

Duration: 29th April– 30th September with possible extension into October, The role has the potential to progress to a full time Trainee Fisheries Biologist position for a candidate with potential and aptitude for the role.

Salary: £25,500- £27,000 (pro-rata) per annum.

Supervised by: Trust Biologist

Location: Fieldwork activity will extend across the Skye and Lochalsh area and may extend to partnership working with neighbouring Trusts out with this area.

Purpose / Objectives: To support the Biologist in delivering a variety of research, biological monitoring, practical fieldwork and educational programmes as well as contribute to the recording of data.

Training courses provided: SFCC Introduction to Electrofishing

Main Duties:

1. To assist in the delivery of fish, habitat, invertebrate and other biological monitoring programmes and educational projects carried out by the Skye and Lochalsh Rivers Trust, training will be provided
2. To assist in various practical projects regarding creating or repairing basic equipment
3. To assist with data entry and compilation when needed
4. Ensure best practice health and safety at work systems are always followed

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5. In addition to the duties and responsibilities listed, the post holder is required to assist with other reasonable duties that may, from time to time, be required as part of SLRT's remit

Person Specification

Attributes	Essential Selection Criteria	Desirable Selection Criteria
Education/ Qualifications	National 5 Maths and English, and at least one Higher qualification or equivalent.	HND/Degree level science qualification or equivalent
Experience	Comfortable working in outdoor (sometimes remote) environments	Experience with fish handling
Skills & Knowledge	Excellent time management skills Very good interpersonal skills & team working skills An interest in fisheries, freshwater ecology and/or conservation	Geographic knowledge of Skye & Lochalsh area
Personal Requirements	<p>Must have confirmed accommodation in the immediate area. No housing is provided by SLRT for this position.</p> <p>Must be able to organise/provide own transport to convenient meeting points (e.g. Broadford/Portree) before beginning field work</p> <p>Must be physically fit and able to walk over rough terrain carrying equipment</p> <p>Ability and willingness to work outside, in varying weather conditions, at remote locations, while undertaking fieldwork duties</p> <p>Be able to work flexible hours & adjust fieldwork hours to accommodate the weather</p> <p>Capability and willingness to travel across Scotland and work with neighbouring Trusts</p>	



	Fluent in spoken English. Willingness to learn and undertake training.	
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For a demonstrably interested and enthusiastic candidate there is an exciting opportunity for the role to become a full time trainee Assistant Fisheries Biologist. This would involve the role holder in undertaking a structured training programme undertaken as part of the job, and mentoring in all aspects of fisheries biology.