Trading Standards Officers (Product Safety) (HCC576170)

Salary: £27,009 -I £30,101 per annum Work Location: Montgomery House, Winchester Hours per Week: 37 – Type of Contract: Temporary (Initially)



Hampshire Trading Standards Service is looking to recruit motivated and enthusiastic officers to join our Product Safety Team.

In this role you will be directly protecting the public in Hampshire and across the U.K. by making sure goods, like toys and electrical items, coming into the country are safe, by making sure goods on sale in Hampshire are safe and by making sure children do not have access to age restricted goods like alcohol and tobacco.

You'll have an enquiring mind, be methodical and use problem solving skills to identify practical solutions, based on sound judgement and reasoning. You will conduct inspections of businesses and provide advice to help them comply with the law. Ultimately, where significant criminal offences are identified, you may take formal enforcement action.

With a relevant qualification or equivalent experience in criminal investigations or other law enforcement activity, you will be ready to take on a new challenge. You will need to be organised, flexible, adaptable and confident to take responsibility for decision making. Above all, you will be able to deal sympathetically and proportionately with members of the public, agents, importers and businesses, while being confident in your ability to handle difficult and challenging situations.

Hampshire Trading Standards is a modern regulatory service enabling and promoting legislative compliance to support a safe, fair and equitable trading environment. We are proud to provide valuable support and trusted advice to residents and businesses in Hampshire.

If you are passionate about protecting consumers and the Hampshire economy and you share our vision of being a modern proactive business, then we would love to hear from you.

Please note we have 1 x temporary 12 month contract to cover Maternity Leave; and 1 x temporary 12 month fixed term contract. There is a possibility of extension at end of initial contract period, subject to grant funding.

Please refer to the Job Description while completing your application as candidates will be shortlisted based on how closely they match the criteria. Hampshire County Council offers a competitive salary and benefits package, please see our website for details: Our Benefits Package

Hampshire is a beautiful place to live, with vibrant cities, miles of coastline and two National Parks. If you enjoy outdoor activities, you'll find world class walking, cycling, sailing and much more. For more information, please go to:- Living and Working in Hampshire

Additional Information:

Trading Standards Officer Job Summary and Person Specification

Contact Details for an Informal Discussion:

Alison Owen, Senior Trading Standards Officer on 07793 758 267/ Alison.Owen@hants.gov.uk or Mark.Rolfe@hants.gov.uk

Hampshire County Council is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults. We expect all employees, workers and volunteers to share this commitment. We will ensure that all our recruitment and selection practices reflect this commitment.

In order to combat discrimination, no unnecessary conditions or requirements will be applied which could have a disproportionately adverse effect on any one group. All sections of the population will have equal access to jobs. No applicant or employee will receive less favourable treatment because of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, marriage or civil partnership and pregnancy or maternity, unless a Genuine Occupational Requirement (GOR) applies.

To apply please visit: <u>https://careers.newjob.org.uk/HCC/job/Winchester-Trading-Standards-Officers-%28Product-Safety%29-HCC576170-HAM/811920601/</u>

Interview Date: 12 July 2022. Closing Date: 26 June 2022.

We are a Disability Confident Employer – committed to ensuring that our recruitment and selection process is inclusive and accessible.