



Volunteer Role Profile

SeaScapes Intertidal Survey Volunteer

About the role:

SeaScapes Intertidal Survey Volunteers are trained to identify and record the wildlife on shores between the Tyne and the Tees using different survey methods. The data collected by this project will be shared nationally to ensure it makes an impact. It's a great way to explore your local coast, learn more about the wildlife found there and add to our understanding of this important habitat.

The data collected in the intertidal surveys helps experts to monitor our fragile sea life and better understand the effects of pollution, climate change and invasive alien species.

Anyone can be an Intertidal Volunteer: all you need is enthusiasm! If you enjoy spending time by the coast regularly, why not take time to join a survey and record what you see – and what you don't?!

We will provide full training on how to undertake shore surveys for all volunteers. There will be many different ways to get involved, and there will be opportunities to input your own ideas of what we should focus on.

We are looking for volunteers who:

- Have a desire and willingness to learn.
- Have a desire to learn about marine habitats or have some existing knowledge.
- First aid qualified (if helping with events).
- Live near or be able to travel to the coast.

This role will suit you if you:

- Have a passion for conservation of the marine environment.
- Have an interest in shore species or the enthusiasm to learn.
- Are able to record information accurately and in detail (recording forms provided).
- Have an understanding of health and safety and the risks involved with working by the sea.

Volunteers will be 18 or over, or if 14-18 should be supported and supervised by a responsible adult and have parental/guardian consent to take part.





The benefits of getting involved:

By joining the network of SeaScapes Intertidal Survey Volunteers, you will be contributing to the national database of information held on intertidal species in UK coastal habitats and so have a direct part to play in their conservation.

You'll learn about intertidal species that can be found on the North East coastline and gain experience in field work, plus:

- Relevant training for the role e.g., Risk Assessments, Health and Safety, Survey training
- Become a valuable member of a professional team
- Experience of working within a large conservation organisation
- Opportunity to learn more about intertidal species
- Opportunity to get involved in citizen science projects
- Access to our internal volunteer training programme
- Dedicated equipment provided
- Opportunity to meet with other volunteers in the area

Important Information:

The deadline for this round of volunteer applications is Friday 3rd September 2021

Attendance at a SeaScapes Intertidal Survey training course is **essential**.

There are two training courses coming up, and you are welcome to come to one or both:

- **9.30am-2pm Wednesday 8th September in Hartlepool**
- **11am-3.30pm on Saturday 11th September in Sunderland**

This role will be based along the Tyne to Tees coastline. There is plenty of flexibility in this role as you can choose which survey events you would like to participate in. As a regular volunteer you will also be invited to attend optional volunteer events and activities throughout the year.

How to apply:

To apply for this role please download an application form [here](#). Alternatively, please contact dkealoha@durhamwt.co.uk or call 0191 5843112 to request one.

