

LABORATORY SUPERVISOR – CHEMISTRY

Portsmouth Water provides high quality public water supplies to a domestic population exceeding 698,000, as well as many important industries, large defence establishments and varied commercial businesses. We have a long tradition of providing safe drinking water of the highest quality from our springs, wells, boreholes, and surface water sources. We have a unique and exciting opportunity to join our Water Quality team as the Laboratory Supervisor (Chemistry) to manage the chemical section of our UKAS accredited ISO 17025 laboratory.

Typical Tasks and Responsibilities

- Responsibility for the day to day running of the section which undertakes the analysis of water samples for a range of chemical analyses including turbidity, pH, Conductivity, Nutrients and Metals.
- Responsible for the continued maintenance of the quality system (AQC, UoM, PT, CAPA monitoring and investigation)
- Lead approver of analytical results and a counter signatory for worksheets and forms.
- Escalation point for queries, supports others with troubleshooting, providing solutions to water quality problems to maintain compliance with water quality regulations.
- Participation in external UKAS 17025 audits and clearance of audit findings.
- Assists with identifying training needs and ensures these are addressed and evaluated.
- Organise & supervises method validation exercises.
- Carries out Internal Audits of the Water Quality Team

- Reporting of results to internal and external customers and answering customer queries as required.

Skills and Experience (full training where necessary)

- A relevant degree (or equivalent) and hold Chartership status of a professional body including a current Continued Professional Development
- Understanding and experience of working to ISO 17025
- Experience of inorganic chemistry methods
- Ability to prioritise tasks; demonstrable organisational ability with proven ability to meet deadlines
- Strong attention to detail

A pro-active approach and a good track record in H&S (Health & Safety) whilst always working in line with our values of Excellence, Integrity and Future Focus will be a pre-requisite for any applicant.

The post will report into the Laboratory Manager.

£32,861 - £36,396

(GRADE 5)

38 HOUR WEEK, MONDAY TO FRIDAY

We are happy to consider flexible working arrangements. This can include alternative days / hours of work or work location. Please specify any request in your application.

We actively support equality, diversity and inclusion and encourage applications from all sections of society.

The Company has a responsibility to ensure that all employees are eligible to work and live in the UK.

If applying externally please include your CV and salary expectations.

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CLOSING DATE: 28 JULY 2023