



Post of Senior Technician

The appointment will be made initially on a four-point range within the NJC range as advertised, the exact starting point being dependent upon the extent to which the successful candidate meets the selection criteria and the demands of the job.

Selection Criteria

- A** Sufficient knowledge of school and/or college science to know how to use the equipment, chemicals, other materials, procedures and relevant health and safety literature up to, and including, those used at A-level or its equivalent. The work will include: preparing chemicals and equipment for courses, setting up and taking down practical activities for advisers to use, researching and developing practical activities for use in schools, researching common school science equipment. A knowledge of science up to around A-level equivalent is required, whether gained formally or by virtue of experience.
- B** An enthusiasm for practical science in schools. Experience of effectively managing a school or college suite of science laboratories. This would include: servicing and maintaining laboratories so that they are tidy and well organised, managing and maintaining the stock of equipment, chemicals and materials, disposal of wastes and routine testing of equipment. Experience of working in more than one science department might be an advantage.
- C** Attention to detail, a methodical approach to work and an ability to communicate clearly and effectively with colleagues. Some experience of simple word processing, using email and spreadsheets/databases.
- D** The ability to be flexible, to organise working time effectively and to work well in a team. The ability to work without direct supervision, to manage one's own work and to liaise with other CLEAPSS staff to meet their requirements. The ability to manage workload to avoid bottlenecks where possible and to prioritise and manage them if they do emerge.
- E** The ability to drive a car and a willingness, on occasions, to drive to schools, for example, to conduct mercury vapour tests.

In addition:

Some experience of ICT and a willingness to become involved with helping the ICT manager maintain CLEAPSS' hardware and software and produce electronic documents would be an advantage. For this aspect of the work, aptitude, enthusiasm and a willingness to learn are as important as ICT experience.