

Trading Standards Officer

Location **Matlock/Hybrid**
Reference **JOB/24/01461**
Salary **Grade 9 -11 £30.054 - £40.638 per annum**
Job term **Permanent**
Hours **Full Time (Part Time Hours Considered)**

Our Trading Standards service supports local businesses and help consumers by tackling unfair and unsafe trading practices through enforcement, advice, and education. Ensuring that businesses operating in Derbyshire comply with trading standards legislation.

We're looking for people who are enthusiastic and highly motivated to join and help deliver this service. We have positions available in our Fair Trading and Safety/Business Support Teams however, we will consider applications from Trading Standards Officers with experience across other areas of Trading Standards law. We are also open to applications from part-qualified officers where we can support applicants to complete their qualification. The grade of the post (Grade 9 or Grade 11) will depend on level of qualification and experience. You will be joining a supportive and flexible team of professionals and have managers who are supportive to facilitate your development.

What will I be doing:

- Plan and lead project work, surveys, and inspections designed to assess the level of business compliance with trading standards legislation and take action to improve compliance.

- Give accurate advice to consumers and businesses on trading standards law distinguishing where appropriate between legal requirements and those of good practice.
- Assess and investigate complaints which reveal breaches of trading standards legislation using the appropriate criminal or civil law options
- Conduct duties in accordance with the statutory enforcement powers accorded to trading standards officers complying with relevant legal duties and regulatory codes of practice applicable to the service.

What skills and experience do you need to have?:

- A thorough understanding of Fair Trading and/or Product Safety legislation
- A full DCATS qualification or its antecedents for appointment at Grade 11, or part DCATS qualification (or equivalents) for appointment at Grade 9
- Weights and Measures qualification and/or Food/Feed Law competence would be desirable
- Good working knowledge across a range of Trading Standards functions

What we offer you:

- 25/27 days of annual leave plus another 5 once you reach 5 years of continuous service
- Flexi Time between the hours of 7.00am and 7.00pm and the allowance up to an additional 2 days of leave per month
- The ability to work remotely
- Dedication to your continued professional development
- Generous local government pension scheme
- Guaranteed incremental annual pay increases
- Cycle to work scheme
- Discounts at selected county leisure centres