Field Team Manager

Field team managers are responsible for the hiring and training of technical support engineers (onshore/offshore). They manage pipeline isolation contracts with oil or gas companies and make sure engineers with the right training are sent to do each job.

The Work

You could be:

- hiring trainee technical support engineers (see job profile Technical Support Engineer (Onshore/Offshore) for pipeline isolation work to be carried out for client companies
- managing the training of new technical support engineers on how to use specialist company equipment
- providing training on strict working procedures and health and safety practices for working in hazardous environments
- discussing new contracts with client oil or gas companies, and the timescale and cost of the work
- responsible for managing the business's financial performance including identifying areas of risk and opportunity
- allocating technical support engineers with the right training competencies to each job
- liaising with a logistics team to arrange flights, visas or other documentation for technical support engineers for overseas travel
- managing teams of supervisors and their engineers while working on projects
- keeping financial records, planning budgets and carrying out administrative duties.

Pay

The figures below are only a guide. Actual salaries may vary, depending on:

- where you work
- the size of the company or organisation you work for
- the demand for the job.

Salaries for field team managers might start at around £40,000 a year rising to around £80,000 a year or more with increasing experience.

Conditions

- You would normally be based in an office onshore.
- You would train new engineers at the company training centre.
- Hours are mostly regular, Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 5.00pm, but you might occasionally work evenings and weekends.
- You would wear protective clothing and safety equipment such as gloves, boots and a hard hat when carrying out technician training.

Getting In

- You would normally have already worked as a technical support engineer and gained a lot of experience in this work.
- Entrants typically hold qualifications such as an HNC (SCQF Level 7), HND (SCQF Level 8) or degree (SCQF Level 9-10) in mechanical engineering or a related subject.
- Entry requirements for an HNC or HND are usually 1-2 Highers plus 5 subjects at National 5 including English and Maths. Entry requirements for a degree are usually 4-5 Highers, including Maths or science subjects.
- A driving licence is useful and sometimes necessary.

What Does It Take

You need to be:

- an excellent communicator with teamwork skills
- business aware
- able to make confident decisions
- able to work within a budget
- highly knowledgeable about health and safety working procedures.

You need to have:

- good IT skills
- excellent organisational skills
- attention to detail
- practical and technical ability.

Training

- You would train and gain experience on the job.
- You would need to learn strict working procedures and health and safety legislation.
- You would continue to do further short training courses to keep your knowledge of equipment and health and safety procedures up to date.

Getting On

- You may progress to be a senior manager.
- For senior jobs you will need a lot of experience in your relevant area.

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Statistics

Past Unemployment - Scotland

No Claimant statistics available for Scotland.

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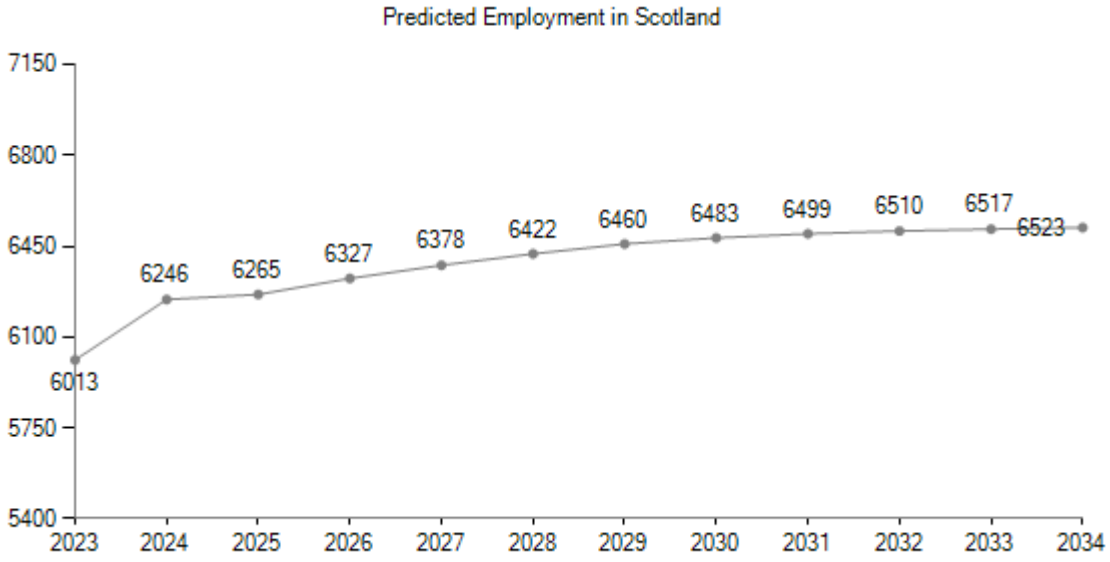

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