



# LOGISTICS

## STEWARD – CATERING SERVICES LOGISTICIAN (SUBMARINER)

As a Steward (Submariner) you'll be part of a highly-trained professional team planning and providing hospitality above and below the waves. On visits to 'friendly' ports around the world, you'll be entertaining local dignitaries, politicians, even royalty. Your personality, professionalism and attention to detail will help create a positive image of the UK and the Royal Navy, so you'll need to be smart, completely reliable and able to think on your feet. As well as looking after officers in the wardroom, you'll be in charge of managing accommodation, food service and accounting for bar stocks. As part of the tight-knit crew, you'll work closely with the chefs and sometimes prepare food yourself. You'll also be trained in first aid and, as a 'planesman', the man who operates the steering and depth controls, you'll literally be in the driving seat of this formidable fighting machine.

### What we're looking for

You'll need commitment, enthusiasm and common sense and above all, you'll need to work well as part of a team. Serving on board a submarine takes a special type of person. You'll be expected to provide service of the very highest quality. You'll need to be friendly, personable, have an eye for detail, and maintain extremely high standards in your work at all times. This applies even in the tough, demanding conditions of a submarine below the waves anywhere in the world.

### Initial training

Your Royal Navy career begins with 10 weeks' basic training at HMS Raleigh. It sounds like a ship, but in fact it's a shore base near Plymouth. The discipline, teamwork, organisational, firefighting and weapon-handling skills you'll learn here will stay with you right through your Royal Navy career. Aim to get yourself as fit as you can before you arrive. You'll be doing a lot of physical exercise and you'll find it much easier if you're already in good shape. There's also a swimming test, so if you can't swim, make sure you've learned by the time you join us. You can find out more about HMS Raleigh at [royalnavy.mod.uk/careers](http://royalnavy.mod.uk/careers)

### Professional training

After basic training, you'll stay at HMS Raleigh for a further 12 weeks' professional training at the Defence Maritime Logistics School. You'll learn about bar management, table service, cooking and serving food in a modern, realistic training environment, working alongside experienced sailors. You may also go to sea and experience life on board a modern warship, to help you understand the ship's military role and where you fit into the team. You'll then stay at HMS Raleigh for another four months, this time at the Submarine School. You'll learn about all aspects of submarine operations, including warfare, weapons, nuclear propulsion and escape training, and go to sea in a submarine. At the end of this, there'll be an exam to test your knowledge. When you pass, you'll win your 'Dolphins' – the coveted badge of a qualified Submariner, and join one of the world's elite fighting forces.

### Skills for life

During your time in the Logistics branch you will have the opportunity to gain all kinds of professional skills, as well as personal qualities like teamwork, problem-solving and self-confidence. Training will be a constant feature of your time with us and we'll help you gain academic qualifications, key skills and GCSEs. We'll also help you work towards NVQs in Hospitality. As well as helping you develop your Royal Navy career, everything you achieve will be recognised and valued by a future civilian employer.

### Promotion

You'll start your career as an Able Rate and will be part of the wardroom team in a submarine. With some experience and further training, you could be promoted to Leading Hand running the wardroom, dining room and accommodation and then you may go on to become a Petty Officer managing the catering services department at sea. Then as Chief Petty Officer you'll be employed in a wide range of hospitality and support roles and finally, as a Warrant Officer working at sea, supporting submarines, or in a headquarters. If you show the right commitment, skills and ability, you may also have the chance to become a Logistics Officer running the catering, stores and personnel departments. You'll be selected for promotion on merit, so if you work hard, you can quickly rise through the ranks.

### Pay and conditions

Royal Navy pay compares well with similar civilian jobs. As well as basic pay, you'll get extra money for special skills, when you're promoted and when you're away at sea. As a Submariner, you'll qualify for a bonus of £5000 when you're awarded your 'Dolphins'. We also offer an excellent pension scheme, six weeks' paid holiday a year and free medical and dental care. You'll generally join us on a full career, which is 18 years or to age 40, whichever is later. You may have the opportunity to serve beyond this, depending on what you want and the needs of the Royal Navy. If you want to leave, you can send us your request one year before completing your specified return of service. How long this return of service is, will depend on the branch you join. You will need to give 12 months' notice.

### Not just a job, a way of life

There is a lot more to joining the Royal Navy than doing a job. For a start, all our ships and shore bases have superb sports and fitness facilities. We can offer a fantastic range of sports and other activities. You'll also have the chance to go on adventurous training, which could be anything from a jungle expedition to mountaineering and caving to parachuting. From the moment you join, you'll be part of a team that lives, works and relaxes together, forming friendships and experiences that can last a lifetime. It's a unique way of life, and the opportunities we offer will allow you to reach your career potential and enjoy the time you spend with us to the full.

## DO I QUALIFY?

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<b>Age:</b>	16 to 36.
<b>Nationality:</b>	British or British dual citizenship.
<b>Qualifications:</b>	No specific qualifications are needed for this job.
<b>Sex:</b>	This job is open to men only.
<b>Starting salary:</b>	For current information, visit <a href="http://royalnavy.mod.uk/careers">royalnavy.mod.uk/careers</a>

## HOW TO APPLY

### GET IN TOUCH

1. Go to [royalnavy.mod.uk/careers](http://royalnavy.mod.uk/careers) or call **08456 07 55 55**.

### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

2. Go to an initial careers presentation.
3. Fill in a short application form.
4. Take our recruit test.
5. Discuss your job options with a Careers Adviser.
6. Pass our medical, eye and pre-joining fitness tests.
7. Attend a formal interview at the Careers Office.
8. Pass our Pre-Royal Navy Course.
9. Join the Royal Navy.

