Northumberland IFCA Summer Placement 2026

Northumberland IFCA (NIFCA) is offering an exciting opportunity for a paid placement during summer 2026. The successful applicant will work on the delivery of individual projects directly informing inshore fisheries management as part of NIFCA's ongoing duties.

The placement will last for a period of four to six weeks between July and September, with an approximate commitment of 20 hours per working week. Northumberland IFCA will provide training opportunities in key areas to enable the volunteers to develop their experience and understanding of inshore fisheries management.

Individual project topics will be determined closer to the time of the placement.

As well as working on individual projects, you will have the opportunity to assist with additional environmental survey work and other aspects of our work.

Pay and Benefits

The successful applicant will receive an hourly rate of £13.45, in line with the Real Living Wage recommendations (https://www.livingwage.org.uk/what-real-living-wage). They will also be entitled to reasonable out-of-pocket expenses in accordance with the NIFCA Internship Agreement.

Experience, **knowledge & skills**

Essential	**Desirable**
2 years (minimum) completed in undergraduate degree (in relevant subject area)	STCW-95 Sea Survival Course
Proficient in the use of MS office	Sea-going experience
Excellent communication skills both verbal and written	Marine species ID skills
Ability to process and analyse comprehensive datasets and produce concise scientific reports	Experience using GIS (e.g. ArcGIS) and R statistical software.
Teamwork & collaboration, good interpersonal skills	

Ability to travel to NIFCA office in Blyth daily.

To apply send a copy of your CV together with a cover letter outlining how you fit the job description. Applications should be sent to **nifca@nifca.gov.uk** by email or posted to the Northumberland IFCA office at 8 Ennerdale Road, Blyth, Northumberland NE24 4RT. The deadline for submitting applications is **11:59pm on Sunday 29th March 2026.**