

Senior Marine Ecologist

Aqualicense is currently seeking a suitably qualified marine Ecologist. The role will be to manage ecology report preparation, review/sign-off and delivery to our clients. The report types will range from Appropriate Assessments for Foreshore License Applications through to input to chapter preparation for marine Environmental Impact Assessment Reports (EIAR). Projects types will range from Offshore Renewable Energy to Aquaculture in both Irish and international waters. This is a technical role, reporting to the company CEO.

This role will be a mix of work planning, survey work (when required), report writing, and review and sign off. Aqualicense offer flexible hybrid working arrangements with the office-based portion of the role based at our Arklow office in Co. Wicklow.

MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Working with the Aqualicense team to coordinate Ecological Assessments and other associated reports.
- Writing, review and delivery of specialist chapters of EIARs.
- Writing, review and delivery Appropriate Assessment documents.
- Providing technical input to environmental assessment projects, including data collection and analysis.
- Ensuring that the quality of deliverables is to a consistently high standard and ensuring that all deliverables are undertaken in accordance with relevant legislation and best practice.
- Liaising with clients and statutory agencies to ensure the delivery of outputs that meet or exceed requirements and expectations.

ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

- A bachelor's degree in a related subject such as Env Sci, Ecology, Marine Biology, Geography.
- A minimum of 5 years relevant post graduate experience
- Interested in and passionate about environmental data and the offshore marine environment.
- Experience in preparing and signing-off marine based Appropriate Assessments / Natura Impact Statements
- Experience in preparing and signing-off EIAR ecology chapters
- Experience in preparing Marine Restoration Plans
- Ability to manage and work as part of a team and communicate with a range of stakeholders
- Solid procedure and field report writing and compilation skills.
- Excellent attention to detail.
- Outstanding organisational and planning skills.
- An analytical mind.
- Ability to gather and manage data and interpret results.
- Flexibility and a professional manner.
- Keeping up-to-date with new and emerging technologies, guidelines and legislation

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS, KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE, SKILLS AND ATTRIBUTES:

- Membership of a recognised chartered body.
- Expertise in GIS.
- Experience with statistical packages and software.
- Experience working within marine, aquaculture and/or fisheries sectors.
- A Masters/ PhD in a relevant science.