Volunteer Technician

General Responsibilities.

- Maintaining aircraft, vehicles, and artillery pieces in the Museum collection in line with best heritage practice. Assisting with the cleaning and movement of aircraft, vehicles, and artillery pieces in the Museum collection in line with best heritage practice.
- Assisting with the installation of new displays where specialist technical expertise is required.
- Building new display exhibits.
- Maintaining and repairing existing exhibits to ensure Museum visitors have a positive experience.
- Providing technical assistance with collections storage projects.
- Providing technical advice to staff and other volunteers.
- Working with staff and other volunteers to ensure the safe and effective running of the Workroom.

The area of participation of Technical volunteers will depend on their skills and experience. At all times, they volunteer under the direction of the Curator.

Safety

As part of this role, the Technician should ensure safety and compliance, making sure that all work is conducted safely and in line with relevant regulations and standards.

This may involve.

- creating or contributing to the creation of relevant risk assessments
- following safety protocols, including the advice provided in Safety Data Sheets
- ensuring that all tools and equipment are properly maintained and used
- ensuring that they are stored safely when not in use

The Technician should report any serious issues, concerns, accidents, and emergencies promptly.

The Technician should report any lapse in our high standards of presentation and tidiness.

Training and Duty details.

The Technician should take part in any relevant training.

The volunteer will comply with the Museum's H & S policy and always operate with a regard to good environmental practices.

Volunteer hours : between 10.00 am to 3.00 pm but this may vary depending on the activities in hand.

Essential Skills.

- Relevant technical knowledge and expertise with an attention to detail to ensure that all maintenance work is completed to a high standard.
- An understanding of good heritage practice in relation to aircraft, vehicles or artillery pieces, or a willingness to acquire this knowledge.
- Good team player who is able to collaborate effectively with others to achieve common goals.
- Problem solving ability including a strong analytical mind and the ability to be adaptable and to think creatively.
- Good timekeeping.
- Ability to communicate with other team members as well as museum staff and visitors which may involve explaining technical concepts in a way that is easy to understand.

Desired Attributes.

- Experience of working with machines and old equipment
- Experience of working in museums or the heritage sector
- Clean driving licence

Rewards

- Induction, training and support
- Being part of a supportive team that promotes and makes a significant difference to the Army Flying Museum
- 20% discount in the museum shop and café

All these arrangements are binding in honour only and not intended to be legally binding.