

Employment Opportunity: Marine Science Technician

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INSPIRE Environmental is hiring a **Marine Science Technician**.

We are a growing environmental science consultancy, based in Newport, RI, and looking to add an exceptional technician to our entrepreneurial team. We develop and implement innovative tools to rapidly measure the health of the marine environment, and we have a reputation for doing it very well. Our clients are leading companies in offshore energy and environmental consulting industries, and governmental and regulatory agencies. Our projects are always diverse in scope and complexity and may require local, regional, national, or international travel.

We invite applications from interested persons who want to go to sea and collect unique seafloor imagery and ensure that data are collected correctly and safely, 100% of the time. Our offshore projects may range from short, local deployments to extended, international expeditions. Project durations may require spending a few days to several weeks offshore. The selected candidate must represent INSPIRE's core mission and values in a professional, courteous, and ethical manner.

INSPIRE offers industry-leading compensation and generous benefits. We also provide training on the operation of our primary underwater instrument, the Sediment Profile Imaging (SPI) system, as well as all required health and safety trainings and certifications, e.g., BOSIET, OGUK, & TWIC if needed.

Position Summary

The Marine Science Technician must have strong troubleshooting and technical problem-solving skills. They must: proactively be aware of, and capable of maintaining, a safe and healthy workplace; monitor and maintain our subsea equipment and onboard systems; and be able to get along well with others while working offshore. Candidates should be detail oriented, and capable of effective communication and accurate documentation of processes and activities. This is a salaried, non-exempt position.

Key Job Functions and Requirements:

- Responsible for implementing and maintaining a safe workplace while onshore and offshore and ensuring that safety is always the highest priority.
- Experience in the collection of scientific field data, data QA/QC, electrical and mechanical equipment maintenance and troubleshooting.
- Ability to multi-task, maintain flexibility, travel, and work independently. Weekend and holiday work will be required.
- Ability to represent INSPIRE in a professional, courteous, and ethical manner.
- Effective written/verbal communication and organization/analytical skills; experience recording/writing detailed technical data.

- Valid driver’s license and good driving record, a valid Passport, and possess or have ability to obtain BOSIET certification, pass an offshore medical exam (OGUK), and possess or have ability to acquire TWIC credential. Must be able to pass random drug and alcohol tests.
- Must be capable of performing physical tasks onboard and adjacent to survey vessels and in the equipment lab. This includes moving about to accomplish tasks, adjusting or moving objects up to 50 lbs in all directions, and ascending or descending ladders, stairs, scaffolding, ramps, etc. The ability to discern common hand signals and hear audio signals/commands is required.
- Working knowledge of MS Office software products, including MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint.

Desired Experience:

- Minimum 1 year of applicable experience in a technical role aboard a commercial or scientific vessel. Experience maintaining, operating, and troubleshooting oceanographic, geophysical or geotechnical, or hydrographic science instrumentation and equipment is highly desirable.
- Knowledge of GIS software (ESRI, QGIS, Global Mapper, etc.), Image Analysis Software (Adobe Photoshop, Image J, or similar) and scripting or scientific programming languages (R, Python, LabView, Matlab, Simulink, etc.) is a plus.

Desired Education:

- BA or BS in relevant scientific, engineering, or technical field.

To Apply:

Please consider your experience and capabilities in relation to the desired skills and experience presented above. If you think we are a match, please send your resume, a cover letter, and three professional references to Careers@INSPIREenvironmental.com and put “**Marine Science Technician**” in the subject line. Qualified candidates will be contacted by email and invited for phone or web-based interviews.

We are building a progressive, flexible field team to respond to new work, join us!

At INSPIRE, we are committed to providing an environment of mutual respect where equal employment opportunities are available to all applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, physical and mental disability, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, military and veteran status, and any other characteristic protected by applicable law. INSPIRE believes that diversity and inclusion are critical to our success as a company, and we seek to recruit, develop, and retain the most talented people from a diverse candidate pool.

No calls, recruiting agency resumes or contact please.