



# JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Learn about the jobs available and the branches in which you may serve.



**Your place in the team**  
Just like on a warship, a submarine's crew is organised into a number of areas, each responsible for a particular aspect of our operations. We call these branches. You'll find that each branch is then split into smaller specialist sections. Within Engineering, for example, you could work in either the weapon or marine departments.

So as a Submariner, you'll be part of a branch, according to which job you've chosen to do. The diagram below shows you what each branch does, the jobs open to you and how you'll be contributing to the work of the team.



**WARFARE**  
Watching, warning, making decisions and taking action in conflict and peacetime.

**ENGINEERING**  
Keeping weapons, surveillance and nuclear power systems operational around the clock.

**LOGISTICS**  
Making sure the submarine and its crew have everything they need to fulfil their mission.

**MEDICAL**  
Making sure everyone on board is fit, healthy and ready for action.

**RATING**  
**SUPPLY CHAIN LOGISTICIAN (SUBMARINER)**  
Monitoring and maintaining stocks of everything from torpedoes to toilet rolls, you'll be key in deciding how long the submarine can stay underwater and away from land, which is crucial to keeping its position secret. Train as a planesman and you'll operate the submarine's steering and depth controls, putting this formidable fighting machine directly in your hands.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** British or British dual citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £13,377 to £16,681 a year. Plus Submariner qualifying bonus: £5000. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £20.80 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.

**OFFICER**  
**LOGISTICS OFFICER (SUBMARINER)**  
The supply situation will decide how long a submarine can stay underwater and away from land. This is crucial to keeping its position secret. It's your job to make sure the crew have everything they need for a covert mission that could last several months.  
**Age:** 17 to 31.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths. For direct graduate entry, you'll need a degree or equivalent, 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £15,268 a year rising to £24,132 a year (on passing out of Britannia Royal Naval College).  
**Graduate starting salary:** £29,006 to £32,061 a year. Plus Submariner qualifying bonus: £5000. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £26.14 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.

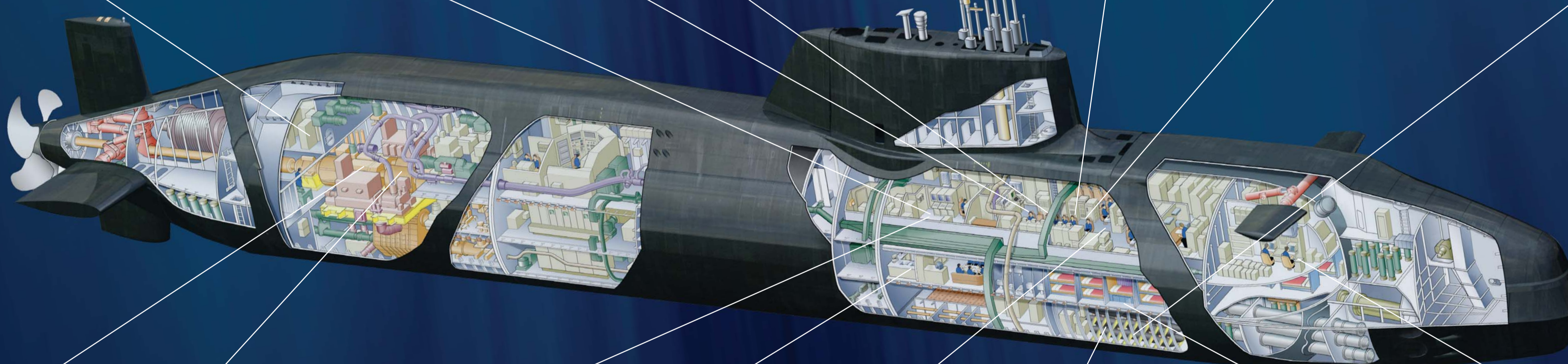
**RATING**  
**COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS (CIS) SPECIALIST (SUBMARINER)**  
Part of a tight-knit team on board one of our most formidable fighting machines, you'll be responsible for maintaining vital communications while on covert operations. As well as the latest technology, you will be trained to send and receive messages in Morse code using a signal lamp.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
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**OFFICER**  
**WARFARE OFFICER (SUBMARINER)**  
Managing a highly-skilled team, you'll take your submarine through the deep oceans, close to shore, or through busy shipping lanes, staying hidden but always alert.  
**Age:** 17 to 25.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths. For direct graduate entry, you'll need a degree or equivalent, 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths.  
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**RATING**  
**WARFARE SPECIALIST TACTICAL (SUBMARINER)**  
You'll use a range of advanced systems, including radar and electronic listening equipment, to identify and track potential threats and targets. As well as giving those in command vital information to make tactical decisions, you'll be part of the team keeping your submarine safe and undetected on covert operations.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** British or British dual citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £13,377 to £16,681 a year. Plus Submariner qualifying bonus: £5000. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £20.80 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.

**RATING**  
**WARFARE SPECIALIST SENSORS (SUBMARINER)**  
Using advanced sonar systems, you'll detect and listen to other submarines and ships, giving those in command advanced warning of potential threats and targets. You'll also be directly responsible for keeping the submarine safe and undetected, whether you're on routine surveillance or going into action.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** British or British dual citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £13,377 to £16,681 a year. Plus Submariner qualifying bonus: £5000. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £20.80 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.

**OFFICER**  
**WEAPON ENGINEER OFFICER / INFORMATION SYSTEMS ENGINEER OFFICER (SUBMARINER)**  
To stay silent and unseen, our submarines rely on their sensors, surveillance and communication systems. To deliver their torpedoes and missiles, they're equipped with some of the world's most sophisticated weapon systems and maintained by a team of highly-skilled technicians. Keeping all this technology operational is a job that demands technical, leadership and management skills of the highest order.  
**Age:** 17 to 30.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** A recognised first degree in engineering or a computer science-based subject (on a case-by-case basis), 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £29,006 to £32,061. Plus up to £12,000 joining bonus. Plus Submariner qualifying bonus: £5000. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £26.14 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.



**RATING**  
**ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN – MARINE ENGINEERING (SUBMARINER)**  
You'll be responsible for maintenance on every vital system from air and water purification to the nuclear reactor. You'll also operate steering gear, power-generation equipment, engines and pumps and be part of a damage-control and firefighting team. On shore, you'll be based at a fleet maintenance unit.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job. However, fast-track opportunities may be available if you have GCSEs or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent or A-levels or Higher grades or equivalent.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
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**OFFICER**  
**MARINE ENGINEER OFFICER (SUBMARINER)**  
Combine the engineering challenges of a warship, a nuclear power station and a spacecraft and you get some idea of what this job involves. The mission – and the lives of 120 people – will depend on your technical and management skills, in one of the most extreme and hostile environments on Earth.  
**Age:** 17 to 30.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** A degree in an engineering or physics-based subject, 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £29,006 to £32,061. Plus up to £12,000 joining bonus. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £26.14 a day. Plus Submariner nuclear pay: £20.10 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.

**OFFICER**  
**TRAINING MANAGEMENT OFFICER (SUBMARINER)**  
On a submarine, you'll be the single point of contact for the education, training and development of all the ratings and officers on board. You will make sure they have the skills, knowledge and qualifications they need to do their demanding, technical jobs.  
**Age:** 17 to 30.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** A recognised first degree in engineering, maths or physics (we have a limited number of places available for Arts graduates), 180 UCAS points and five GCSEs (A\* to C) or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent, which must include English and maths.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
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**RATING**  
**CHEF – CATERING SERVICES LOGISTICIAN (SUBMARINER)**  
Catering on a submarine presents special challenges, like planning meals and then getting food to feed 120 men for six months. You'll need to provide tasty and varied meals when you're on a long patrol. You'll also be a fully-trained member of the ship's firefighting team.  
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**RATING**  
**STEWARD – CATERING SERVICES LOGISTICIAN (SUBMARINER)**  
As well as serving officers in the wardroom, you'll work closely with the chefs and will be given the skills to help prepare food yourself. You'll also have a vital operational job as a member of the first-aid team. You may also train as a planesman, a unique job that involves operating the submarine's steering and depth controls.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
**Starting salary:** £13,377 to £16,681 a year. Plus Submariner qualifying bonus: £5000. Plus Submariner extra pay: £11.88 to £20.80 a day. Plus operational Submariner pay: £5 a day.

**RATING**  
**ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN – WEAPON ENGINEERING (SUBMARINER)**  
On a fleet submarine, you'll work with powerful conventional weapons like torpedoes and cruise missiles. On a ballistic submarine, you'll be part of the team maintaining Trident missiles – the UK's strategic nuclear deterrent. You'll also look after the sophisticated systems used to identify and track potential targets and hide your own position.  
**Age:** 16 to 36.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job. However, fast-track opportunities may be available if you have GCSEs or Scottish Standard grades or equivalent or A-levels or Higher grades or equivalent.  
**Sex:** This job is open to men only.  
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**RATING**  
**MEDICAL ASSISTANT (SUBMARINER)**  
As well as your clinical duties, you'll carry out specialist tasks unique to the submarine environment. You'll monitor air and water supplies, and carry out vital health and environmental safety checks, reporting your findings direct to the Commanding Officer. You'll also become an expert in first aid and lifesaving and have opportunities for further training.  
**Age:** 17 to 36.  
**Nationality:** Full British citizenship.  
**Qualifications:** No specific qualifications are needed for this job.  
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**RATING**  
**PERSONNEL LOGISTICIAN (SUBMARINER)**  
A submarine crew is a very close-knit unit. Making sure everyone gets paid and that any employment issues are sorted out quickly is crucial to maintaining morale. You'll be more than just an administrator though – you'll also be trained to operate the steering and depth controls which drive the submarine.  
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