With ships, submarines and personnel located all over the world, the Royal Navy relies on its supply chain for vital stores and equipment. Delivering this complex variety of supplies - from everyday items like clothing and bedding to defensive materiel such as weaponry and ammunition - takes a special kind of person. You’ll be at the heart of that activity, making sure your colleagues have what they need, when they need it.

It’s not just the qualifications, friendships and travel that set this role apart. It’s the importance of practically every item you manage. The equipment you order, store and distribute helps keep the Royal Navy operational.

Why Supply Chain?

- Gain recognised qualifications including an Intermediate Apprenticeship in Warehousing and Storage
- Learn how to source items all over the world
- Learn additional skills as an Incident Board operator, helping damage-control teams fight fires and floods
- Travel the world
- Start on a salary of over £14,600, rising to over £18,000 on completion of your role specific training. As your career progresses you have the potential to earn in excess of £48,000
- Potential to earn additional financial bonuses depending upon your role
- Wide range of benefits including a House Purchase Scheme

01 Who we’re looking for

In a nutshell

- Well organised
- Methodical thinkers
- Committed to doing a great job
- Team players
- Physically and mentally fit
- Adventurous spirit

We need ambitious applicants who are organised, enthusiastic and have common sense. You’ll be responsible for managing large quantities of equipment and supplies. As a result, you’ll need to be responsible, trustworthy and able to plan your work effectively. Above all, you’ll need to work well as part of a team - even under the most testing conditions.
02
Qualifications and age

• No specific qualifications are needed
• You must be between 16 and 36 when you start training

03
Training

Training and development continues throughout your career with the Royal Navy. It takes place in two distinct environments: at onshore training facilities and on board operational ships. On joining you complete 10 weeks of basic naval training, followed by role-specific training.

Aim to get yourself as fit as you can before you arrive. You’ll be doing a lot of physical exercise, and you’ll find it much easier if you’re already in good shape. There’s also a swimming test, so if you can’t swim, make sure you’ve learned by the time you join us.

04
Skills for life

• Intermediate Apprenticeship in Warehousing and Storage
• Level 2 Certificate in Warehousing and Storage
• Level 2 Award in Employee Rights and Responsibilities in the Logistics Industry
• Level 1 Functional Skills in Maths, English and ICT
• Study for GCSEs, A-Levels, NVQs or a degree
• Further qualifications as your career progresses

Early in your career, professional qualifications are aimed at Supply Chain Management. As you progress, there will be opportunities to complete further vocational qualifications and academic studies including a degree. Everything you achieve will benefit your Royal Navy career and be valued by a future civilian employer.

05
Promotion

You’ll start your naval career as an Able Rate. With experience and further training, you could be promoted to Leading Hand and beyond. If you show the right commitment, skills and academic ability, you could have a chance to become a Logistics Officer – running catering, stores and personnel. Members of the Royal Navy are promoted on merit. Work hard and you can rise through the ranks.

06
Pay and benefits

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• Potential to earn additional financial bonuses depending upon your role
• Wide range of benefits including a House Purchase Scheme
• Six weeks of paid holiday every year
• Adventurous training - from skiing to diving, you can enhance your skillset in unique environments around the world
• Free phone calls home and Internet access when you are at sea
• Free medical and dental care
• Access to superb sports and fitness facilities
• Subsidised travel and accommodation
• Excellent pension scheme

Not just a job. A way of life.

Being in the Royal Navy is a job like no other, with a life – and lifestyle – to match. You’ll make friends for life, go to places you’ve never been and do things that dreams are made of. From the moment you join, you’ll be part of a close-knit team that lives, works and relaxes together. On top of on-ship and onshore sports facilities, you’ll also have the opportunity to go on adventurous training, which means anything from mountaineering, caving and parachuting, to jungle expeditions.

It’s a life without limits. Its only limit is how much you want to live it.