

- **Do I have to be a UK Citizen to apply?**

*No, applications are open worldwide. However, you are responsible for your travel to and from the port of departure Newcastle - UK or Ijmuiden (Amsterdam) - the Netherlands.*

- **Are there any age limitations?**

*Yes, applicants must be at least 18 years old.*

- **Is this a paid position?**

*Yes - salary details can be found in the person specification document.*

- **Do you accept cover letters instead of video applications?**

*No. As outlined in the job advertisement, all applications must include a 2-minute video and a 2-page CV.*

- **I'm not available for the entire season, can I still apply?**

*Ocean Conservationists must be available for the entire season. Any prior commitments should align with the rotations outlined in the key dates document.*

- **Will I be on board for the entire 4-weeks at a time?**

*Yes, as outlined in the key dates document, you will live on board the ship during your assigned rotations. While you can disembark during your free time when the ship is in port, you must ensure you are back on board in time for your duties.*

- **Is accommodation provided?**

*Your cabin and meals are provided during your time on board only. You are responsible for arranging and covering the cost of your travel to and from the port of departure.*

- **Are there any language requirements for this role?**

*Applicants must be confident speaking to the public and giving presentations in **English**. Proficiency in **Dutch** or **German** would be beneficial but is not a requirement.*

- **Will I have any responsibilities during my time off ship?**

*No, your duties are limited to your time on ship only. You will be paid for your time onboard only, and your time off is entirely your own.*

- **Will I work on the same ship for the entire season?**

*Yes - you will be assigned to either the King Seaways or the Princess Seaways. It is not possible to swap ships throughout the season, however, you can specify if you would like to depart from Newcastle or Ijmuiden. Please see the Key Dates document for more information.*

- **Can I specify which ship I'd like to apply for?**

*If you are selected for an interview, you will have the opportunity to share your preferences regarding the departure port, ship and rotation. Please see the Key Dates document for more information.*



- **When can I expect to hear if I have been selected for an interview?**  
*We aim to notify all applicants within two weeks of the application deadline. However please be aware that due to the high volume of applications we receive, we are unable to provide individual feedback.*
- **Where will the interviews take place?**  
*Interviews will likely be conducted online between Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th March 2025.*
- **What does the training for the role include?**  
*Training is detailed in the key dates document.*
- **Any tips for the video application?**  
*Your application video is a chance for us to get to know you and your experience, which has led you to apply for the role. We want to see if you are an effective communicator and, above all, see your passion for the marine environment and cetaceans shine through.*
- **Who should I contact if I have further questions?**  
*Please email all questions to Kate (Ocean Conservationist Manager) at [orca@orca.org.uk](mailto:orca@orca.org.uk)*

