

Title	Department	Post Ref.
Trading Standards Officer-Level 2	Place	

Job Purpose

To contribute to the Service's provision of effective enforcement action and support to local consumers and businesses to give Nottinghamshire a better trading environment.

Key Responsibilities

- To enforce Trading Standards legislation via a variety of methods including inspections, projects and targeted advice/education.
- 2. To conduct basic and complex investigations, producing a written report and attending court as necessary.
- 3. To provide basic and complex business advice and to act as a Primary Authority liaison officer as designated.
- 4. Provide advice and assistance to residents to resolve their basic and complex consumer problems, as applicable, and to prevent future similar problems.
- To collect, assess, analyse and share intelligence in a lawful manner and to contribute to the Service's tasking and coordination process.
- 6. To contribute to the development of and lead on the delivery of cross cutting, multi-agency projects.
- 7. To lead teams of multi-agency officers on investigations and operations appropriate to the role.
- 8. To provide training and mentoring to relevant staff, as required.
- 9. To develop and maintain knowledge in areas of legislation appropriate to the role. May be required to lead in a designated area/service delivery area.
- 10. To represent the Service at a local and regional level when required.
- 11. To develop and maintain effective collaborative working with other agencies.
- 12. To interact effectively with politicians in relation to the Service's

Key Accountabilities

- 1. To ensure all work is conducted in accordance with the Service's key strategic aims and procedures.
- 2. To ensure investigations the officer carries out are conducted legally, proportionately and effectively.
- 3. To ensure all legal advice/assitance given is accurate, unbiased and compliant with the relevant legislation.
- 4. To maintain the proper control and security of evidence at all times.
- 5. To adopt an innovative problem solving approaching, debriefing and evaluating their work to ensure the continued development and improvement of the Service.
- 6. To identify and implement opportunities to develop and improve the Service's systems and procedures.
- 7. To provide support and guidance to other officers and managers as required.

work. 13. To work with the media to convey key messages and raise awareness of the Service & Authority. 14. To attend emergency call outs as necessary. 15. When necessary working arrangements could involve some weekend, bank holiday, early morning and evening working for which appropriate recompense will be made in accordance with the relevant NCC terms and conditions of service.	
The post holder will perform any duty or task that is appropriate for	the role described

Person Specification

Education and Knowledge

- Possess the Core Skills in Consumer Affairs and Trading Standards (CSCATS) or the Foundation Certificate in Consumer Affairs (FCATS)
- 2. Hold a valid UK Driving Licence. (A taxi service is available for a disabled employee)
- 3. A good knowledge of criminal and (relevant) civil procedures and investigations legislation, including laws of evidence and disclosure.
- 4. An understanding of the need for and the aims of a modern Trading Standards Service and the current challenges facing service delivery.
- 5. Knowledge and understanding of the application of workplace Haelth & Safety legislation.
- 6. No conviction for dishonesty (subject to the provisions of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974)

Experience

- 11. Ability to interpret and apply complex legislation and similar documents.
- 12. Proven ability to investigate offences, prepare concise accurate information reports and give evidence in court proceedings.
- 13. Proven ability to lead successful projects.
- 14. Ability to advise businesses on complex legal requirements.
- 15. Experience of effective partnership working.
- 16. Proven ability and willingness to study and a commitment to maintain continuous professional development (CPPD)
- 17. Proven flexible approach to work tasks and willingness to work outside normal weekday office hours if necessary
- 18. To be mobile enough to enter premises and vehicles not belonging to the County Council, and able to carry the equipment necessary for the role.
- 19. Proven ability to ensure that confidentiality is maintained at all times.

Personal skills and general competencies

- 7. A high level of personal drive and commitment to excellent customer care and the ability to set an example for other staff
- Strong interpersonal skills to gain the agreement and acceptance of others including colleagues, senior managers and customers.
- 9. Ability to make decisions and solve problems to meet operational targets, involving devising solutions and prioritising the resources available
- 10. Ability to meet agreed objectives and delivery targets by the effective use of resources.

Role Dimensions

- 20. Working with other officers to ensure a fair and safe Nottinghamshire trading environment for residents, businesses, and visitors, based in or trading with County enterprises through enforcing legislation. Enable Nottinghamshire businesses to trade effectively locally, nationally and internationally.
- 21. Working flexibly, contributing across a range of functions including safeguarding communities & businesses, community safety, protecting the vulnerable, environmental protection, tackling organised criminality, and animal disease prevention.

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- 23. Responsible for monitoring the budget allocated to a particular project or Primary Authority contract.
- 24. Supporting and co-ordinating the activities of other officers as required.

Please attach a structure chart

Date October 12