

# Apprenticeship in the Royal Navy

Starting a Royal Navy apprenticeship means you **get the travel and adventure of a gap year, while also gaining the new skills and experience you'd get at college or university.** From day one of training, you'll be making friends and enjoying a sense of camaraderie you won't find anywhere else. Here, you learn your **trade on the job and gain recognised qualifications, doing work that really matters** under the guidance of your experienced crewmates.



## Entry requirements

**Age: 16-36**

- **Being medically fit (weight and height included)**
- **Being a UK/Ireland national**
- **Complete a full Security Check / Declare all previous convictions, both spent and unspent**

## Pay and benefits

- ✓ Minimum starting salary of more than £15,000, which rises to over £20,000 after initial training
- ✓ Earn up to £51,000 as your career progresses
- ✓ Six weeks of paid holiday every year
- ✓ Financial help with your on-shore accommodation while at sea
- ✓ Guaranteed job after training
- ✓ The possibility of adventurous training twice a year (including skydiving, scuba diving, mountaineering and skiing)
- ✓ Join at age 16-18 and continue your education while you earn a wage



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The course is a mix of theory and work-based learning, with a few formal interviews and practical assessments along the way. You'll be expected to complete a **Career Development Journal** as you progress.

Your time will roughly be split at **20% learning and 80% working**, which means you'll be an **important member of the team** from day one.

