

Forest Surveyor

Job Title:	Forest Surveyor
Work Locations:	UK
Contract Type:	40 hours/week
Contract Length:	Permanent (on successful completion of 3-month probationary period)
Rates:	£30,000 - £31,600 pro rata
Annual Leave:	4 weeks pro rata + bank holidays
Hours:	Flexible

Location

This role will be based in the UK, working across a range of remote forested locations. Please be aware that this role can only be worked in the UK and not overseas.

About the Job

Do you want to work at the heart of Britain's woodlands? Passionate about sustaining our natural environment and making a tangible difference on the ground? At Forest Surveys, we provide the data that underpins woodland management and helps shape the future of UK forests.

We're one of the country's leading forest inventory and surveying companies – large enough to take on major projects, but small enough that your contribution will be seen and valued. As a family-run business, we blend decades of expertise with a commitment to innovation and sustainability. Whether it's commercial plantations or ancient SSSI woodlands, your work will have a meaningful impact on high-profile landscapes across England.

We're proud to be flexible, friendly, and focused on delivering quality. You'll be joining a team that values your skills, supports your development, and enables you to thrive in one of the most rewarding natural work environments in the country.

Find out more at www.forest-surveys.co.uk.

Job Description

We are seeking a permanent Forest Surveyor to join our experienced team. You'll play a key role in delivering forest survey projects from fieldwork to data reporting, working closely with both internal colleagues and external clients. This is a hands-on role requiring a deep understanding of forestry operations, mensuration, and forest planning processes.

You will be expected to work in a variety of woodland types across the UK, often in challenging conditions, gathering data critical to sustainable woodland management. Strong organisational skills, a good grasp of survey methodologies, and a proactive, independent approach are essential.

Key Work Areas

Undertake and deliver high-quality forest survey fieldwork across the UK.

Manage project planning, including personnel, logistics, H&S, and reporting.

Promote survey capabilities internally and externally.

Prepare bids for surveying contracts and liaise with stakeholders.

Perform quality checks and submit accurate field data.

Input GIS data and support mapping tasks (where applicable).

Provide training and support to colleagues and partner organisations.

Uphold health, safety, and environmental standards at all times.

Use and maintain technical equipment for accurate forest measurements.

Support the wider Surveying & Forestry management team as needed.

The post holder must be prepared to work up to 10-hour days in remote, physically challenging environments and regularly stay away from home for periods of up to two weeks.

Person Specification

Essential Criteria

3+ years of forestry experience with strong operational knowledge.

Excellent navigation and tree species ID skills (UK conifers and broadleaves).

Experience of forest mensuration and inventory methods.

Comfortable with working alone, in difficult weather and terrain.

Proficiency in MS Office and understanding of GPS/mapping tools.

Demonstrated ability to interpret and clearly record field conditions.

Full UK driving licence (essential for accessing remote sites).

Desirable Criteria

A Level 4 qualification in Forestry or a related subject, or working towards one. In the absence of formal qualifications, you must demonstrate significant and relevant forestry experience.

Experience in forest ecology, measurement, and biological sampling.

Knowledge of GIS software and GPS technology.

Familiarity with electronic data collection tools and field instrumentation.

Understanding of statistical methods used in forest analysis.

How to Apply

Please apply by sending your CV and Cover Letter to contact@forest-surveyors.co.uk