Job Description For Non-Streamlined Positions

This form is used to provide a complete description of the specific job (or role) and defines the skills, knowledge and abilities required to undertake the specific and generic role profile.

Section A: Specific Role Profile

The specific role profile provides key information relating to the salary and working conditions e.g. location of a job, along with the current focus of the job role and a brief description of the main duties.

Role Details

Job Title:	Auditor	JEID	N0030
Salary Grade:	L		
Team:	Finance		
Service Area:	Internal Audit		
Primary Location:	Shire Hall, Warwick or another base may be agreed prior to appointment depending on business need and external clients		
Political Restriction	This position is not politically restricted.		
Responsible to:	Lead Auditor		
Responsible for:	-		

Role Purpose

The provision of audit, assurance, advice and investigative services to a wide range of clients covering the full spectrum of risks taking into account relevant professional standards and codes of practice.

Working with and advising senior management on key change activities, transformation programmes and how governance, risk and controls are exercised, and where required providing independent advice and support.

These services may be provided to the County Council or to external clients to whom the audit team provides services.



Role Responsibilities

Improve the ability of our clients to deliver their vision and outcomes by assisting them to manage significant risks and acting as a catalyst for change, including:

- Undertaking audits that focus on key risks;
- Undertaking investigations into alleged financial irregularities or issues where a client's strategic or corporate interests are at stake;
- Providing independent and objective advice and insight on new major systems, changes to existing working practices and major transformation projects;
- Devising practical recommendations to improve our clients' governance, risk management and control processes using a systematic, disciplined and risk based approach.

To take full responsibility for the delivery of allocated jobs to the required accuracy, timeliness, quality, regulatory and professional standards utilising appropriate audit techniques with minimal supervision.

Comply with all aspects of the Service's Audit Manual, and relevant internal audit standards.

Maintain up-to-date knowledge of codes of practice, audit techniques, legislation and other developments affecting our clients, local government in general and the internal audit profession.

Other information

Post holders are allocated to one Lead Auditor for appraisal, performance and general line management purposes but can be called upon to work for any Lead Auditor.

Post holders may work with any client and at any client site and working hours need to fit with business and client needs. Some wider travelling will be occasionally required to, for example, to represent the Service / clients at regional meetings or to attend training courses.

Appointment to this post will be subject to the successful completion of security checks required by every client.

The post-holder may occasionally have to work outside normal office hours.

Section B: Person Specification

The person specification provides a list of essential and desirable criteria (skills and competencies) that a candidate should have in order to perform the job.

Each of the criteria listed below will be measured through; the application form (A), a test / exercise (T), an interview (I), a presentation (P) or documentation (D).

Essential Criteria	Assessed By:
Extensive practical experience of providing advice and undertaking audit / assurance work and investigations at a senior level preferably in the public sector	A, I
Chartered Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors (CMIIA) OR Qualified Accountant (preferably CPFA) OR evidence of equivalent knowledge and skills and extensive experience of internal audit, working at a senior level in a complex organisation	A, I
Good knowledge of the requirements of the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards	A, I
Evidence of continuing professional development	A
Extensive knowledge of internal audit techniques	A, I
Extensive knowledge of current issues facing internal audit	A, I
IT literate with a high degree of proficiency in using Microsoft office software particularly Word and Excel	A, I
Highly developed analytical skills with the ability to interpret and analyse varied and complex information or situations	Α, Τ, Ι
Excellent negotiating skills and ability to influence others to adopt a course of action which is not their preferred approach	A, I
Strong commitment to accuracy and reliability	A, I
Ability to be innovative, think creatively, and find effective and pragmatic solutions to complex problems	A, I
Ability to communicate complicated or sensitive information effectively both in writing and verbally to all levels of staff	A, I
Ability to work effectively under pressure, manage conflicting priorities and meet challenging sometimes unpredictable deadlines	A, I

The ability to cope in situations where there is an emotional demand or aggressive reaction arising from undertaking an investigation	A, I
Demonstrate high standards of integrity and professionalism	A, I
Committed to providing a quality service and to continuous improvement	A, I

Desirable Criteria

Assessed By:

Practical experience in undertaking IT audits or possession of a relevant supplementary IT audit qualification (e.g. IIA IT Auditing Certificate or Certified Information Systems Auditor)	A, I
Practical experience of using electronic data analysis software (preferably Idea)	A, I
Holder of an appropriate counter fraud qualification (e.g the Cipfa Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist)	A, I
Practical experience of using electronic audit management and working papers systems (preferably Galileo)	A, I
Awareness of the significant issues facing local government	A, I

Section C: Working Conditions

The working conditions relate to those non-contractual elements of the job that may impact on the holder of the position, as well as those workplace-based responsibilities that are part of this job. These are not contractual but provide a guide to the working conditions and the potential hazards and risks that may be faced.

Health & Safety at Work

To take responsibility for your own health, safety and wellbeing, and undertake health and safety duties and responsibilities for your role as specified within Warwickshire County Councils Health and Safety Policy, and all other relevant health and safety policies, arrangements, procedures, systems of work as specified for the post/ role.

Potential Hazards & Risks

The potential significant hazard(s) and risk(s) for this job are identified below (those ticked). The purpose of recording this information on the job description is so that the health status of the potential and actual post-holders can be assessed with regard to the significant hazards and risks. These hazards and risks should be based on the appropriate activity, process and/or operation risk assessment whereby all of the significant risks are identified, recorded and appropriately controlled. The list below is therefore not an exhaustive list because it is the risk assessment that details all significant risks that could arise out of or in connection with the work activity, but any others will be identified in the 'other' section.

Provision of personal care on a regular basis Driving HGV or LGV for work

Regular manual handling (which includes assisting, manoeuvring, pushing and pulling) of people (including pupils) or objects	Any other frequent driving or prolonged driving at work activities (e.g. long journeys driving own private vehicle or WCC vehicle for work purposes)
Working at height/ using ladders on a regular/ repetitive basis	Restricted postural change – prolonged sitting
Lone working on a regular basis	Restricted postural change – prolonged standing
Night work	Regular/repetitive bending/ squatting/ kneeling/crouching
Rotating shift work	Manual cleaning/ domestic duties
Working on/ or near a road	Regular work outdoors
Significant use of computers (display screen equipment)	Work with vulnerable children or vulnerable adults
Undertaking repetitive tasks	Working with challenging behaviours
Continual telephone use (call centres)	Regular work with skin irritants/ allergens
Work requiring hearing protection (exposure to noise above action levels)	Regular work with respiratory irritants/ allergens (exposure to dust, fumes, chemicals, fibres)
Work requiring respirators or masks	Work with vibrating tools/ machinery
Work involving food handling	Work with waste, refuse
Potential exposure to blood or bodily fluids	Face-to-face contact with members of the public
Other (please specify):	