

## **Person Specification**

### **Education Guide**

#### **Wicklow Mountains National Park and Knocksink Wood Nature Reserve**

##### **EDUCATION AND ATTAINMENTS**

###### **Essential**

- ✓ **Full clean driving licence**
- ✓ Leaving certificate or equivalent
- ✓ Competent computer skills

###### **Desirable**

- ✓ Higher qualification in any of the following disciplines would be a distinct advantage:
  - Environmental Science
  - Zoology
  - Natural Heritage
- ✓ First Aid certificate obtained within the last two years
- ✓ Training in mountain skills
- ✓ A qualification in child protection or knowledge of child protection issues

##### **HERITAGE INTEREST AND AWARENESS**

###### **Essential**

- ✓ A broad knowledge of Natural History

###### **Desirable**

- ✓ Knowledge of Wicklow Mountains National Park and its environs
- ✓ Knowledge of the role of the National Parks and Wildlife Service in the conservation of biodiversity

##### **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

###### **Essential**

- ✓ Previous experience in customer service
- ✓ Previous experience of working in a team

###### **Desirable**

- ✓ Previous guiding experience would be a distinct advantage
- ✓ Previous teaching or classroom experience
- ✓ Previous work involving the provision of information, assistance or training to adults, teenagers and especially to children

## **OTHER SPECIFIC COMPETENCIES**

### **Essential**

- ✓ Fluency in English
- ✓ Excellent communication skills, both written and oral
- ✓ Excellent organisational skills
- ✓ An enthusiastic, friendly and outgoing personality
- ✓ An ability to remain calm under pressure and act responsibly in the event of a crisis
- ✓ A willingness to work outdoors
- ✓ Flexibility in working hours

### **Desirable**

- ✓ An interest in hill walking and/or other outdoor pursuits
- ✓ An interest in art/handicrafts/photography
- ✓ Fluency in Irish

*These criteria may be used in the event of short-listing*