



First Impressions

Careers Advisory Service

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FAQ: How do I get a position as an ROV Trainee?

Do you want to become an ROV Pilot? It is a dream that many have! Fortunately there are training courses available to everyone with some spare money to try and make this a reality.

However, the difficulty is you need to have much more than the basic ROV training to be competitive with other applicants and have a chance of getting an interview; too often I see applicants spending so much money on training but who do not have the background to be a Trainee ROV PT.

So, what should you do?

First of all research the duties and ensure that this is definitely the career you want to take; it is not easy to get a position as an ROV Trainee therefore do not waste time and money if you are not sure.

Ensure you have proven working experience in a hydraulic, mechanical or electronic discipline; if you are able to gain employment in a subsea Company workshop this would be an ideal grounding for you.

Invest In the minimum offshore training – MIST, BOSIET, OGUUK MEDICAL, EBS & if you have the money, also invest in the Norwegian medical & Survival.

Once completed highlight your experience (i.e. maintenance of hydraulic equipment) and training in your CV! **Do not let your CV, let you down.**

Keep in touch will all potential employers, to name a few – Saipem, Technip, Fugro, Hallin Marine and DOF; to see if they are recruiting for Trainee's in the near future and if so, find out the dates you should re-apply and whom to (always follow the correct Company application process).

If you have extra money invest in some specific ROV training such as ROV PT training course from The Underwater Centre, Fort William; however this is not essential as if a Company is interested in you they will be attracted to your working history and may potentially fund you on the relevant courses, or give you a time for you to complete it prior to offer.

The most important message here is, if you do not have the background to be an ROV Trainee do not spend money on training courses, as the background is essential!

Most companies now conduct competency interviews, therefore if you are requested for interview **please remember to do your research!**

Do not give up; good things come to those who wait!

First Impressions provide a CV formatting, recruitment advice and interview skills training; if you are looking for any further guidance please contact Leanne.ross@firstimpressionsbylr.co.uk