



Maintenance Volunteering on board Lord Nelson and Tenacious

Lord Nelson and **Tenacious** are maintained to high standards, in order to meet the requirements of Lloyd's Register of Shipping and the Maritime and Coastguard Agency.

Traditionally, a substantial amount of our maintenance has been carried out by volunteers who give up their free time to undertake a variety of jobs. Our maintainers play a major role in preserving the condition and functionality of our ships, both in the UK and abroad. Maintenance periods are intensive/busy times and purely for the benefit of the Trust and the long term presentation of its main assets; the ships.

With both ships ageing and less time available to devote to maintenance, the JST is looking to approach maintenance in a way that increases its effectiveness and efficiency in order to preserve the ability to successfully complete future voyage programmes. This involves an increasing reliance on professional contractors and additional PC, which in turn may result in being able to involve fewer volunteers.

Maintainer volunteers

We're always looking to strengthen our team of maintenance volunteers with the right people. Volunteers come from a wide range of professional backgrounds and work together to share their skills and expertise on both of our ships.

Maintenance periods are an excellent opportunity for our volunteers to put their valuable skills to good use and it gives them the chance to get to know our ships even better.





Specialist skills

These are qualities that are unique and specific to the job itself and include technical skills, knowledge and experience in particular fields of work. If you're an engineer, carpenter, plumber, electrician or rigger, we'd love to hear from you!



General DIY skills

There are many general yet essential maintenance tasks that also need to be completed to help maintenance periods run smoothly, such as: cleaning, helping in the galley, looking after any goods arriving, occasionally driving locally and other maintenance duties, as requested.



Additional skills

Maintainer candidates will need practical minds, have excellent attention to detail, be able to work as part of a team and also be able to work independently (under the guidance of the Permanent Crew), have good communication skills and be able to follow safety protocol.

**What's provided:**

Accommodation, breakfast, lunch and dinner, together with a tea break morning and afternoon, and a complimentary drink from the bar at the end of the working day.

In addition to your normal travel items, you'd need to bring:

- Bed sheet, duvet cover, pillowcase and towel (sleeping bags are not allowed aboard). Your own bedding is not required for overseas maintenance.
- Working clothes (boiler suits and safety boots can be provided on board) but if you have your own, please do bring them.

Important information:

- Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age.
- It's preferred that you've previously sailed with us on a couple of voyages prior to maintenance.
- For new maintainers, we would generally ask you to volunteer for a minimum of 2 days.
- During longer maintenance periods, all maintainers would generally be asked to volunteer for as long a period as possible e.g. for at least a minimum of 5 days, although shorter periods may be possible.
- The working day is from approximately 08:30–17:00.
- Some jobs are more specialist than others but the ship will ensure you receive clear instruction, support and supervision as appropriate.
- All maintainers are required to take part in the galley mess-man rota and also happy-hour (ship cleaning) on the occasions they are held.

How to volunteer:

If you'd like to volunteer as a maintainer for the Jubilee Sailing Trust then you should visit our [Planned Maintenance Schedule](#) to see which maintenance periods are being held. To express an interest, complete the booking link for the dates you'd like to express an interest in and also include any relevant skills and experience you may have!

What happens next:

After we have received your booking, your name will be added to the maintenance waiting list, which will then be assessed by the ship. Based on the specific maintenance needs of the ship, the Master and crew will advise which volunteers they would like to involve within said maintenance period.



If maintenance your booking is confirmed:

- If joining during the evening, please arrive by 21:00 at the latest.
- All maintainers must attend a daily briefing at 08:30 (before any work commences) held by a member of Permanent Crew. The meetings serve to highlight which maintenance tasks are to be carried out and by whom.
- Bar hours are from 'tot time' to 23:00 and are also open for soft drinks/snacks at lunchtime. Your attention is drawn to our [Drug and Alcohol Policy](#)
- Depending on the location/security of the berth, you may be required to do an occasional night watch.
- Parking in the port may be limited/not secure and we will advise you accordingly.
- Berthing information will be provided before you join however, it's not unusual for our ships to be asked to move and so please keep an eye out for any email notification alerts.
- Q&As will be issued to all maintainers before maintenance commences. If you have any additional questions, please email lisa.booth@jst.org.uk